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GENEALOGY OF JESSE WRIGHT

who was the son of Benjamin Wright, Sr., and grandson of Richard Wright, Sr. whose will was probated in Rowan County, North Carolina, on February 8, 1785.

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DEDICATION

TO my daughter, Hilda (Misenhimer) Turner, my cousin, Duronda (Franks) Smith, and to my cousin, Emil Barger, who is not with us to share in any joy of achievement we might feel, but to whom I owe a great debt of gratitude, I am happy to dedicate this work, for without their help and encouragement I could not have accomplished as much as I have.

Freda Landrus Misenhimer

PREFACE

While collecting descendants of Benjamin Wright,Sr. over many years, I tried unsuccessfully to learn something of his son,Jesse Wright after he left Monroe County,Indiana. Therefore I was very pleased to hear from his great,great granddaughter, Freda Landrus Misenhimer of Trilla,Illinois in 1954, and to find that she was interested in family history. In a short time, as genealogy goes, she has done an excellent piece of research and compiled all of Jesse Wright's known descendants plus many other lines of her family. She has been aided, especially with the typing, by her daughter, Hilda Misenhimer Turner to whom we are very grateful.

Since none of this material was included in my manuscript,"Wright Family History,Volume I" or in Lillie Wright Lane White's book,"Genealogy of Richard Wright and Descendants" published in 1943, this will be a valuable addition to those genealogies, copies of which are now in Newberry Library, the D.A.R. Library in Washington,D.C., Indiana State Library and a few others.

I am sure Mrs. Misenhimer will appreciate hearing from anyone who can give her more information on this family.She is especially anxious to know what became of the SIXTH daughter of Jesse Wright. Was she Nancy S. . Miller, who signed a quit claim deed to Francis Marion Wright's estate? A descendant of Lucinda Wright Whiseband remembers visitors named Miller from Greencastle, Indiana, said to be kin, but the family has not been located to verify relationship.

Mrs. Misenhimer, although eligible through many lines, is not a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and has kindly consented to give this manuscript to the Illinois State Genealogical Records Commitee through my La Grange-Illinois Chapter.

Osee Johnson Knouf (Mrs. Ralph J.)

January 1956

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The Wright Story

In bringing the Wright story up to the advent of Jesse W., and Benjamin Wright into Cumberland Co., I repeat here a bit from Lillie (Wright) Lane's published work on Richard Wright, Sr., and family. Also Volumes 1,II, and III by Mrs. Osee Knouf, of LaGrange, Illinois on Richard Wright, Sr., and his entire family, it has taken twenty years of unremitting toil, great patience and surely, a fortune, to compile this record of our ancestors. It is a monumental piece of work, one of which this writer could never be capable of doing.

Too, though, I am interested in the "family tree." I'm greatly interested in the people themselves, their likes, their loves, their dislikes, their accomplishments, etc., but to Mrs. Knouf goes my regard and respect for a great work, wonderfully done, and about finished, except for the family of Jesse Wright who seemingly vanished from Indiana ken in 1852. Benjamin Wright was easily traced as he left a son in Indiana and had many more sons. Jesse Wright was blessed with six daughters and one son, who was only a boy when left their old home, facing westward and the wilderness so the trail was easily lost when the daughters married.

Mrs. Knouf's work has been accepted by several state libraries, Newberry, in Chicago, Ill., and the National DAR in Wash., D.C., where these completed versions are accessible to the public.

From Genealogy of Richard Wright, Sr., and descendants: Lillie (Wright) Lane White:

"I was born near the home of my great grandfather, James Wright, who was an early settler of Monroe Co., Ind. Well do I remember my great grandfather Wright's funeral, although I was quite a small child at the time. Perhaps the incident of my sister's nearly falling into the open grave impressed it on my memory more than the ceremony itself.

The old English Biographical Dictionary states the Wryghts came from Normandy with William the Conqueror in 1066. Hereditary sur-names were just coming into use in Normandy at that time and the Normas brought the fashion into England. (Vol. VIII, page 3000, Enc. Brittanica, Vol XVII, page 169, 9th edition.)

Some families by the name of Wright came to America as early as 1636. Many Wrights took an active part in the Revolutionary war and some were officers. The family also had its authors, poets, educators, reformers, Missionaries, financiers, and men of science as well as professional men. We are justly proud of the early Ministers, venerable pioneers who do belong to our family, and who by their labor, scrifices, and their exemplory lives helped establish the Christian citizenship in the counties where they settled.

The name WRIGHT, seems to be of Anglo-Saxon derivation and means a workman, especially an artificer in wood or hard materials. Wright, at the present time, means Carpenter in Scotland.

In this numbering system in this book, the first index number denotes the generation of that person from Richard Wright, Sr. The second number indicates the child. For example, the number of William Wright, son of Richard Wright, Sr.; is 2-5 which means he is of the second generation and the fifth child of the family.

1. By Grant Wright: "Tradition has it that Richard Wright, Sr., was born in England, emigrated to Wales, came back into England, and he with four brothers, emigrated to America about 1746. They came to the Eastern Coast of Maryland. Here they separated. Two went into New England, one into New York, and Richard with one brother came into Virginia, then to Randolph Co., N.C. Later Richard moved to Rowan Co., N.C., where he spent the remainder of his life."

According to DAR records, Richard Wright, Sr., was born in 1730 and died in 1785. We know his will was probated Feb. 8, 1785. Grant Wright says: "He is supposed to have been buried in a cemetery on the Waters of the Uharie in Davidson Co., near the Randolph Co., line. There has not been a burial in that cemetery for more than 100 years. The graves are marked with crude stones bearing no inscriptions." Addie (Wright) Hepler says this cemetery is about two miles from Silver Valley cross roads, North Carolina. Pioneer Preachers of Indiana, by Madison Evans, pub. by J. Challen and sons of Philadelphia in 1862, says the Wrights came from England. DAR records say Richard Wright Sr., married in Rowan Co., N.C., in 1748. Judge Lee Wright of Salisbury, N.C., says in his manuscript: "the first deed found so far in Rowan Co., to Richard Wright was dated 1762, in Book 5, page 366." DAR records also say his wife's name was Jane. The History of Bartholomew and Jackson County, published in 1904 by B.F. Bowen, on page 745, calls her name Nancy. Perhaps the real name was Nancy Jane, as Nancy is often shortened to Ann or Nan. In 1939, Mrs. Kyle Wright Hill, descendant of Richard, Jr., learned through Mrs. Willborn of High Point, N.C., that when Richard's will was probated, the widow, was Ann. DAR records gives the date of her death as 1795. Grant Wright's manuscript says: "it seems that Richard Wright, Sr., was a Revolutionary soldier, a Pvt., in the N.C., militia from Rowan Co. It is said that five of his oldest sons fought in the Revolution."

We know that Richard Wright, Sr., and his sons Richard, Jr., Benjamin and William, Jr., have been used many times for DAR membership. We have no information on Peter or John.

Grant Wright says he had the names and dates of Richard Wright, Sr's, children from Elder Ezekiel Wright of Putnam Co., Ind., who sent them to his father many years ago. Mary Lee Woodrum, of Putnam Co., Ind., says her father also had the same names and dates.

Children of Richard Wright, Sr., and wife, Ann or Nancy Jane.

2-1 Benjamin Wright, b. 1752. First wife, Barbara Morgan, second wife, Patsey.
2-2 Peter Wright, b. 1754, d. Oct. 1821.
2-3 Richard Wright, Jr., b. 1757.
2-4 John Wright, b. 1759. Rev. soldier.
2-5 William Wright, b. Mar. 25, 1762.
2-6 Evans Wright, b. 1762.
2-7 Amos Wright, b. 1764.
2-8 Philburt Wright, b. 1768.

Josiah Johnson, Richard Wright,Jr.'s son-in-law of Salem.Ind. said Richard Sr. had four daughters, also. Relatives in N.C. say one was Betsy Pearce, and one married a Rodgers.

Will of Richard Wright, Sr.

From the office of Clerk Superior Court, Rowan Co., Salisbury, North Carolina, in Will Book C, page 207.

In the name of God Amen, I, Richard Wright, Senior, of the County of Rowan and state of North Carolina being through the abundant Mercy and goodness of God tho weak in body yet of a sound and perfect understanding and Memory do constitute this My last Will and Testament, and desire it may be received by all as such. As for my burial I desire it to be decent without pomp or state at the discretion of my dear Wiffe and as to my worldly Estate I will and positively order that all my debts be paid. I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin, two hundred acres of land lying on the Waters of Deep river in Randolph Co., including the plantation whereon he used to live, etc. I give to my son Peter twenty shillings etc,-- I give to my sons Richard and William an entry of land containing 286 acres lying in Randolph County on the Waters of Nary to be divided equally at their discretion. I give to my son Amus, one hundred acres of land including the house wherein he now lives and the price of new saddle and bridle, and I likewise give to my son William a feather bed and furniture and price of a good saddle and bridle, etc -- I give to my son John a cow and calf or the value thereof in gold and silver, etc. I give to my son Philburd a horse bridle and saddle and a cow, a feather bed and furniture at the age of 21, -- or at his mothers discretion and this plantation where I now live at his mothers decease or marriage and I give to my dear and loving wife 200 acres of land lying on Deep River where I formerly used to live in Randolph County to sell at her discretion and likewise all my movable property that I possess and if she marries two thirds of the estate is to be divided equal amongst the children and if she dies without marrying, the principal estate is to be divided equal amongst my children. In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of Septr; Anno Dom: 1784.

His
Richard R. Wright (seal)
Mark.

Witness present
His
Wm. X Wright
His
Evans X Wright
Mark
Richard Wright
James Morgan Junr.

The will was probated Feb. 8, 1785 by Evans Wright and James Morgan Junr. His widow Ann and William Wright qualified giving bond of 200 pounds with James Morgan as security.

The clerk who sent the will, says the "Waters of Nary" could be "Uary", if so it probably meant the river Uharie.

Benjamin Wright, Sr.

2-1 Benjamin Wright, Sr., son of Richard Wright and wife, Ann or Nancy Jane, was b. 1752, died at his son Adam's near Indianapolis, Indiana about 1842, according to Grant Wright's records. We do not know where Benjamin was born. The first deed to his father in Rowan Co., N.C., was dated 1762.

Benjamin is first named in his father's will dated Sept. 3, 1784 and given 200 acres of land on the waters of Deep River in Randolph Co., N.C., including the plantation whereon he used to live. Benjamin lived in the section of N.C., many years and relatives, still there, say Ben Wright Mountain in Randolph Co., was named for him. He moved to Indiana in the 1820's with his second wife, and their children. Many of his first children had already settled in Indiana. We find him listed in the Indiana census of 1830, in Wayne twp., Marion Co., Ind., next to his youngest daughter, Celia Wright and husband Nathaniel Bell. He was then between 80-90, his wife between 60-70. Nearby were his sons, Jordan and Judge Adam Wright. The 1840 census of Marion Co., Ind., gives all these children but no Benjamin Wright. With Jordon's family however, is listed a female between 70-80. This was probably Jordon's mother. (Note: Prior to 1850 census records were recorded so. 1850 being the first year they listed residents of a family by given name.)

Deed records show that Adam Wright's farm was just south of Trader's Point, Marion Co., Ind., on the Lafayette Road, now called the Bush farm.

Osee Knouf could find no cemetery on this farm. Recently found Adam and wife were buried in Old Union cemetery, now between the Speedway and Clermont, Ind. Adam died not long after his father and probably they were buried in the same place. There is an old slab next to Adam's grave, so worn that a tracing shows only, A.B. Wright, died 1837. The Indiana State Library has records of

this cemetery which was copied a few years ago, they say: "A.B. Wright died Oct. 4, 1857." 3 and 5 would look something alike on an old slab. He lived to be about 86 years old, if this stone is his.

U.S. Wright of Albuquerque, New Mexico, grandson of Benjamin Jr., collected much data on Ben, Sr., from his elderly aunts, daughters of Ben, Jr. They said Benjamin, Sr's first wife was Barbara, and his second Patsey. They remembered their aunts, Sarah Hill, Martha Moss and Elizabeth Copple lived near enough to often walk over to visit in Putnam Co., Ind. They gave the list of Benjamin Wright, Sr's, children which follow. He married the second time in 1795. Levi Woodrum said, years ago, that Richard Wright, Sr., had three sons who married Morgan girls. We knew Richard, Jr., and William did, but did not know that Benjamin was the third until recently. Mrs. Lillie E. (Wright) White of Bloomington, Ind., a descendant of Benjamin Wright, Sr., through his son, James, has proof that James' mother was a Morgan.

While we feel quite sure that Benjamin Wright, Sr's, first wife was a Morgan, I have had some doubts about the second one, Barbara since finding that Jordan Wright's wife was, Barbara Fox. Could the old aunts have confused the two? We have found only one Barbara in the known grand-daughters of Benjamin, Sr., but many first girls in the family were named Elizabeth.

"Patsey" is the only name known for Benjamin Wright, Sr's, second wife. His great grand-daughter, Cordie Rector of Ottumwa, Iowa, says he grew so old he forgot that he had ever been married before, and used to say---"I never had any wife but Patsey." It should be noted here that a descendant of his son, James, wrote that he had always heard Benjamin Wright, Sr., married two Morgan girls (sisters) the last when he was very old, and mentioned a "General Morgan" as their father. This we cannot verify.

Benjamin Wright, Sr., is said to have been in the battle of Guilford County Court House in the Rev. War. He was paid for services according to N.C., Rev. Army accounts, Vol XI, page 73, folio 1; and Vol. XII, page 21, folio 2. One dated Aug. 1783, the other not dated. Copies of these records are filed at Memorial Continental Hall in Wash., D.C., under Nat. DAR No. 291647.

Children of Benjamin Wright, Sr., and Barbara (Morgan) Wright:
3-1 Elizabeth Wright, d. after 1830. Married Peter Copple.
3-2 Nancy Wright, b. May 4, 1779, d. Apr. 10, 1860.
3-3 Martha Wright, b. May 1780, d. after 1872.
3-4 James Wright, b. Dec. 16, 1781, d. after May 1873.
3-5 Richard Wright, b. June 15, 1783, d. Nov. 1843.
3-6 Jesse Wright, b. 1791, d. after 1862.
3-7 Sarah Wright, b. 1792, d. 1846.
3-8 Benjamin Wright, Jr., b. Apr. 18, 1794, d. Sept. 4, 1866.

Benjamin Wright, Sr. married 2nd, to Patsey -------.
Children:
3-9 Jordan Wright, b. Jan.12,1796, d. Apr. 4,1865.
3-10 Adam Wright, b. Jan. 13, 1799, d. Oct. 13, 1851.
3-11 John Wright, died young.
3-12 Thomas Wright, burned to death as a child.
3-13 Celia Wright, b. June 17, 1805, d. Jan. 10,1876.

As my ancestor is 3-6, Jesse Wright, I will leave the rest of this enormous family to Lillie (Wright) Lane and Mrs. Osee Knouf's three volumes and concern myself only with Jesse, his descendants and a summary of 3-8, Benjamin, who also was in Cumberland County, Illinois.

3-6 Jesse Wright, son of Benjamin and Barbara (Morgan) Wright, b. 1791 in North Carolina. He came to Indiana in the early 1800's lived in Washington, Co., for awhile, then to Monroe Co., with his brother, James Wright, where he served as Sheriff. He moved to Illinois and was in Cumberland Co., so far as is known to date (1955) in 1862.

The census record of Clear Creek Twp., Monroe Co., Ind., for 1850 lists his wife as Susanna Wright, born in North Carolina.

I secured a copy of the deed from Bloomington, Ind., circuit clerk of the sale of Jesse Wright's farm on Feb. 28, 1849. Vol. L. page 424, 425, where Susanna's signature appears. Yet in Nov., of 1850 to 1851 when Jesse is supposed to have come to Cumberland Co., Ill., with his brother, Benjamin, there was no wife with Jesse Wright. The brother, Benjamin, died Sept. 4, 1866 and is buried at old Wright cemetery, one half mile north of the Coles-Cumberland county line and two miles east of Trilla, Ill. There is no grave stone for the twins buried beside Benjamin, and no stone or grave site to indicate Jesse Wright is buried there beside his brother, but I am inclined to believe so, though why, of this large family, Jesse Wright would have no grave marker, I cannot say, unless the stone has been broken and so lost, as I have found the Wright family in Cumberland Co., were meticulous in their record keeping.

I find at the time of the census of 1860 Jesse Wright was living in a log house almost in the exact center of a forty acre tract upon which at present date (1955) the Hopewell Baptist church occupies the extreme northeast corner. I find Jesse Wright executed his last deed in 1862.

There is little doubt left with me but that Jesse Wright died during the Civil War days when it is well known the times were exceedingly hard in this county. When peace was restored and burdens lightened somewhat, perhaps the stone was forgotten, or perhaps was erected and broken long ago and I have no way of knowing.

Jesse Wright entered land from the Government on Aug. 15, 1851, the W½ of lot 1 of NE¼ of Sec. 3, t. 10, NR 8 D 3rd P.M. 40 acres but this acreage was sold to Jourdan Brown on Jan. 23, 1852. This land lay two miles south of Johnstown, on the prairie. It is not believed Jesse Wright ever lived on this land.

On July 20, 1853, Jesse Wright purchased land NE¼ NE¼ Sec. 34, R 8 E of 3rd P.M., Cottonwood Twp., Cumberland Co., Ill., upon which he lived.

It is thought Jesse Wright served in the War of 1812, though we can find no specific record of his services as yet, as there were seven or eight Jesse Wright's in Indiana during his day, and so cannot separate them. Too, family tradition has it that when these Wright emigrants came to Illinois they came with additional military land warrants purchased from those who cared nothing for them, and who did not care to emigrate westward.

From a memorandum tacked to an abstract furnished Frank Greeson, residing in Cottonwood Twp., Cumberland Co., Ill., and clearing title to said land he owns, I found the following note:

Washington D.C., Mar. 25, 1935---I hereby certify I have examined records of General land office and find the SE¼ of SW¼ Sec. 27 t. 11, R 8, E 3rd P.M., District of Vandalia, State of Illinois entered by Jesse Wright, Mar. 14, 1853 with M.B. Land Warrant # 48546, act of 1850. Patented to Jesse Wright of Cumberland Co., Ill., May 2, 1854. Patent recorded Vol. 82, page 439. Patent in file G.L.O.

It is believed likely Jesse Wright lived on this farm as it lay one half mile west of Johnstown, Ill., and it is known, his son-in-law's---the Hill's, lived their first year, after coming to this new county, one half mile west of the village of Johnstown. However, as of date, June 15, 1955, from the National Archives and Records Service, Wash., D.C., a note which states:

"Records show that Jesse Wright used U.S. Military Bounty Land warrant 48546 for 40 acres issued under the act of Sept. 28, 1850 to locate land described in memorandum--(above)--Wright, however, did not perform the Military Service for which this warrant was issued. He obtained possession of it by assignment from Stephen Clay, who was issued the warrant for his service as a "Private in Captain Haden's Co., Virginia Militia, War of 1812." Whether other acreage bought in this county by Jesse Wright was purchased with Bounty Land Warrants I cannot say at present."

According to my mother, Arlena (Hill) Landrus, great granddaughter of Jesse Wright, Jesse Wright was father of six daughters and one son. This has been verified by the census of Monroe Co., Ind., of 1850 and the marriage records of the same county.

Children:

4-1
4-2 Lucinda Wright, b. 1817, d. Oct. 15, 1865.
4-3 Mahala Wright, b. 1819, d. after 1860.
4-4 Elizabeth Wright, b. Dec. 23, 1823, d. Apr. 14, 1888.
4-5 Tabitha Wright, b. Dec. 3, 1827, d. Dec. 19, 1891.
4-6 Francis Marion Wright, b. 1833, d. Dec. 29, 1875.
4-7 Susan Wright, b. Dec. 30, 1835, d. Dec. 30, 1883.

The burial place of Lucinda (Wright) Whisenand and Elizabeth (Wright) Hill is in Old Gordon graveyard in Coles Co., Illinois not far from Farmington, Ill., close by where rests the father and step-mother of Abraham Lincoln, Thomas and Sarah Bush Lincoln.

At this date (1955) I have not been able to locate the resting place of 4-3, Mahala (Wright) Whisenand, wife of George Whisenand. Old Wright cemetery was the favorite burying ground of this Johnstown, Illinois, community of that day and many of our relatives are buried there. But too, the old Gordon graveyard was much used at that time and of later dates the Whisenand family were buried there, as was George Whisenand's second wife, Elizabeth (McGuire) Whisenand (1888) the widow of George's brother, Peter.

According to the abstracts on the old George Whisenand farm I find the notation: George and Mahala Whisenand: Sold land, Feb. 19, 1856. Too, she was entered in the census of Cumberland Co., Ill., in 1860. The next entry where George Whisenand sold land was 1870 and he was married to a Elizabeth (McGuire) Whisenand. On the same abstract in adm. of estate, it states George Whisenand died on or about Jan. 1, 1875. I can find no gravestones inscribed for this couple but have to believe they are buried at Wright cemetery as are so many others of this family. It is known they lived here and died here. They were not keeping death records in 1855 or 1860. But in 1879 or 1880 they were then recorded, but the County Court house of Cumberland Co., burned in 1885 and so destroyed all records prior to date of fire.

Neither have I been able to establish identity of Jesse Wright's sixth daughter. I have followed many leads all to no avail for now. I will greatly appreciate hearing from any source concerning relationship to Jesse and Susanna Wright, who were living in Monroe County, Indiana in Feb. 1849.

This record is compiled from census record of Monroe Co., Ind., year of 1850. References of Mrs. Grace Price, granddaughter of Lucinda and John Whisenand; inscriptions on tombstones at Old Gordon graveyard and marriage records at Bloomington, Ind. Also verified in part by Norris-Best book of genealogy, and Coles County History of 1878.

4-2 Lucinda Wright, daughter of Jesse and Susanna Wright was born in Monroe Co., Ind., in 1817 and died Oct. 15, 1865. She was married to John Whisenand in Monroe Co., Ind., on Jan. 19, 1833. John was born on Nov. 10, 1810 in Washington Co., Va., When John was a boy, his parents, Jacob W. Whisenand, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and Rebecca moved from Va., to Ind., where some years later he and Lucinda Wright were married. In the autumn of 1850, John and Lucinda moved to Cumberland Co., Ill., purchasing land in that county, where they engaged in farming until 1855, when he sold out his interest and moved to Collin Co., Texas.

Where they lived for one year. They were well pleased with the country and possibly would have stayed in Texas, but circumstances were against them. Mr. Whisenand had sold his interests here on time and a financial panic was threatening, so he returned to Ill., with his family to attend to his business. He finally decided to remain in Cumberland Co., and bought a farm on the south side of Coles-Cumberland county line two miles east of the present Janesville, Illinois. Lucinda and John were members of the Methodist churdh. They had four children, only two surviving. After Lucinda's death, John Whisenand married a Susan (Bradford) Matthews, who's husband had died in the Civil War. They were parents of four children, only two surviving, James and John. After Susan's death, he married a third time, a widow, Sarah Russell. No children. John Whisenand died in 1881. He and Lucinda (Wright) Whisenand are buried at Old Gordon cemetery near Janesville, Ill., Coles Co. John was a very successful farmer and stock raiser, and acquired considerable land, his son, Andrew, followed in his footsteps.

Children of John and Lucinda (Wright) Whisenand:

5-1 Andrew Jackson Whisenand, b. Apr. 3, 1839, d. 1929.
5-2 Semilda Ellen Whisenand, b. Dec. 20, 1844, d. Jan. 20, 1891.

5-1 Andrew Whisenand, son of John and Lucinda (Wright) Whisenand, b. in Monroe Co., Ind., Apr. 3, 1839, d. at Charleston, Ill., in 1929. In 1850, Andrew came to Cumberland Co., Ill., with his parents where he remained until 1855 when he went to Texas for one year. In 1855 he returned to Cumberland Co., where he engaged in farming and was very prosperous and successful. In Feb. 1868 Andrew was married to Mary A. Best, daughter of Robert T. and Elizabeth (Norris) Best, on Sept. 28, 1846 in Coles Co., Ill. In 1871, Andrew moved with his family to Pleasant Grove Twp., Coles Co., Ill., buying 200 acres of rich farm land where he lived until 1902. Mary (Best) Whisenand d. June 4, 1877. Burial place, Old Gordon cemetery, near Farmington, Ill. On Jan. 19, 1878 Andrew was married to Mary E. "Libby" Harwood, a daughter of Ephriam and Margaret Harwood, early pioneers of lower Coles Co. Libby was born on Dec. 18, 1852, in Butler Co., Ohio. In 1902, Andrew and Libby Whisenand retired from active farm life, moving to Charleston, Ill., where they lived the remainder of their lives. They had no children. Burial place, Mound cemetery, Charleston, Ill.

Children of Andrew and Mary (Best) Whisenand:

6-1 Cora Whisenand, b. Nov. 9, 1869, d. Sept. 27, 1922.
6-2 William Whisenand, b. Apr. 15, 1874, d. Sept. 1, 1928.
6-3 Elizabeth Whisenand, b. Sept. 16, 1871, d. Apr. 1947.
6-4 Mary Whisenand, b. June 4, 1877, d. Oct. 9, 1899.

6-1 Cora Whisenand, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Best) Whisenand, b. Nov. 9, 1869, d. Sept. 27, 1922, married Edd Rodgers, divorced then married a Mr. Neeley, and lived at Wheaton, Ill.
Child:
7-1 Lena Rodgers, married H.L. Coats of Tuscon, Ariz.

6-2 William Whisenand, son of Andrew and Mary (Best) Whisenand, b. April 15, 1874, d. Sept. 1, 1928 in an automobile accident near Effingham, Ill. William was a very successful salesman for the Mattoon Hulman Co., and married Augusta Misner of Janesville, Ill., about 1896, a grand-daughter of Sina (Misner) Taylor a native of Ohio.
Child:
7-1 Hugh Whisenand, b. Sept. 4, 1897. Married ca 1918 to Stella Elliot of Mattoon, Ill. They had one daughter, six months old when William Whisenand was killed in the automobile accident. The family moved to Santa Ana, Calif., in 1935.
Child:
8-1 Wilma Lee Whisenand, daughter of Hugh and Stella (Elliot) Whisenand, b. Mar. 1928, Coles Co., Ill. About 1949 she married O.H. "Smoky" Miller and live at Tuscon, Ariz., where Mr. Miller operates a truck.
Children:
9-1 Barbara Ann Miller, b. 1950.
9-2 Robert Hugh Miller, b. 1952.

6-3 Elizabeth Whisenand, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Best) Whisenand, b. Sept. 16, 1871, d. Apr. 26, 1947. She was married to Frank Reed of near Janesville, Ill., Sept. 23, 1891. Frank was born June 25, 1863, d. Dec. 24, 1943. They were farmers and considered well to do. The Reed family are buried at Shiloh cemetery, addition to Old Gordon.
Children:
7-1 Lorene Reed, b. June 10, 1895, d. 1924. Single.
7-2 Ruth Reed, b. Mar. 5, 1897.
7-3 Ralph Reed, b. May 17, 1902, d. Oct. 31, 1941.
7-4 Eugene Reed, b. May 31, 1911, d. 1931. Single.

7-2 Ruth Reed, b. Mar. 5, 1897, married Dec. 10, 1919 to Roy Allison, b. Aug. 2, 1897, d. May 16, 1956.
Child:
8-1 Richard Eugene Allison, b. May 16, 1930. Married Aug. 22, 1954 to Martha Ann Ward, b. Oct. 2, 1933. No children.

7-3 Ralph Reed, b. May 17, 1902, d. Oct. 31, 1941. Married on Jan. 24, 1923 to Fanny Walker of Lerna, Ill. Ralph lost his life in an automobile accident near Gibson City, Ill. He was a member of the Lerna Mason Lodge.

Child of Ralph and Fanny (Walker) Reed:
8-1 Max Reed, b. Nov. 2, 1925, married to Dessa Byrd, b. July 14, 1931.
Child:
9-1 Katherine Gail Reed, b. Aug. 28, 1954.

6-4 Mary A. Whisenand, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Best) Whisenand, b. June 4, 1877, d. Oct. 9, 1899. Mary was married to Steven A.D. Oliver, b. in Coles Co., in 1861, d. on Sept. 28, 1911. Mr. Oliver was connected with bridge construction and the family lived in Erie, Kansas. Mary and Steven Oliver were married on Jan. 21, 1903 in St. Louis, Mo. The parents are buried in Mound cemetery, Charleston, Ill.
Children:
7-1 Phillip Oliver, b. Dec. 22, 1907.
7-2 Fannie J. Oliver, b. July 5, 1910.

7-1 Phillip Oliver, b. Dec. 22, 1907 in Erie, Kansas. In 1931 he was married to Charlotte Haines and lives in Chicago, Illinois. No children.

7-2 Fannie J. Oliver, b. July 5, 1910 and married in Livingstone, Co., July 6, 1934 to Bert Michels, b. July 25, 1907. Mr. Michels is County Supt. of Public Welfare in Richland Co., Ill. Mrs. Michels is a registered nurse. They live at 604 E. Monroe St., Olney, Ill. Two daughters born in Richland Co., Olney, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Mary Anita Michels, b. Sept. 29, 1937.
8-2 Carolyn Sue Michels, b. Nov. 22, 1940.

5-2 Semilda Ellen Whisenand, daughter of John and Lucinda (Wright) Whisenand, b. Dec. 20, 1844, in Monroe Co., Ind., d. Jan. 20, 1891. She was married to James Phipps, b. Oct. 10, 1845, d. Dec. 31, 1917. Semilda Ellen had two pictures she prized very highly. One was of her uncle, Francis Marion Wright. One of a Miller boy who came from Greencastle, Ind., a round faced boy, perhaps named John. One of these boys gave Semilda a thin book--similar in size to a song book--as a birthday gift, beautifully decorated with flowers, called a "Forget me not" book, a diary or memory book. Grace (Phipps) Price, Semilda's daughter, cannot recall who got this book when her mother died. Semilda and James are buried at Old Gordon cemetery, Coles Co., Ill.
Children:
6-1 Leonard Phipps, b. 1873, d. 1952.
6-2 John Phipps, b. Aug. 13, 1876, d. May 3, 1908.
6-3 Grace Phipps, b. Dec. 14, 1878.
6-4 Gertrude Phipps, b. Mar. 14, 1884, d. Jan. 2, 1943.
6-5 Hugh Phipps, b. 1885, d. 1950.

6-1 Leonard Phipps, b. 1873, d. 1952. Married Clemma Aldrich, who was b. 1874, d. 1927. The Phipps family are buried at Janesville cemetery, Coles Co., Ill.
Children:
7-1 Ruth Phipps, b. Dec. 25, 1901. Married Harry Morris.
Child:
8-1 Mary Ann Morris, b. Sept. 15, 1929. Married has one child.
9-1 Child born Nov. 1952.

6-2 John Phipps, b. Aug. 13, 1876, d. May 3, 1908. Married Daisy Gordon of near Janesville, Ill. Daisy born Feb. 4, 1878, d. 1951.
Child:
7-1 Donald T. Phipps, b. Feb. 26, 1905, d. Nov. 15, 1954. Married Florence Honn in 1923. Florence was b. in 1907.
Child:
8-1 Donald T. Phipps, Jr., b. Jan. 13, 1924. In 1942 he was married to Winifred Lacy of Toledo, Ill., b. Oct. 23, 1923.
Children:
9-1 David Phipps, b. Aug. 18, 1944.
9-2 Donald Jr., Phipps, b. Feb. 8, 1947.
9-3 Nancy Phipps, b. July 8, 1949.

Donald served with the armed forces in World War II.

6-2 After the death of John Phipps, Daisy (Gordon) Phipps married a second time to Joseph Phipps, a relative of John Phipps. As the relationship was close and the family closely knit as one, I will list the other two Phipps children in this family.

7-2 Mildred Phipps, daughter of Joseph and Bertha (Aldrich) Phipps, b. Jan. 8, 1903. Married a Mr. Mack Dodds of Diona, Ill. No children. Mildred has taught school since young womanhood and is considered tops and a veteran of her vocation. They live in Charleston, Ill.

7-3 Cleo Elizabeth Phipps, daughter of Joseph Harvey and Daisy (Gordon) Phipps, b. Aug. 21, 1913. Married on Dec. 24, 1935 to Rev. Kenneth Douglas Plummer, b. July 11, 1911. A son of Guy Stanley and Clara (Ashby) Plummer. They live in Arthur, Ill., and have three children.
Children:
8-1 Janet Elaine Plummer, b. Feb. 23, 1940.
8-2 Arlene Kay Plummer, b. Jan. 8, 1944.
8-3 Larry Douglas Plummer, b. Mar. 28, 1953.

6-3 Grace Phipps, daughter of James and Semilda (Whisenand) Phipps, b. Dec. 14, 1878. Married Frank Price, b. 1875, d. 1953. Buried at New Gordon cemetery, Coles, Co., Ill.
Child:
7-1 Helen Price, b. Apr. 1, 1905. Married on Apr. 17, 1924 to Virgil Tanner, b. Feb. 4, 1903.

Children of Helen (Price) and Virgil Tanner.
8-1 Mona Rae Tanner, b. July 3, 1930.
8-2 Marilyn Tanner, b. Aug. 8, 1933.
8-3 Frank Clinton Tanner, b. May 15, 1937.

8-1 Mona Rae Tanner married on Sept. 30, 1950 to James Janes, b. Nov. 17, 1925. No children.

6-4 Gertrude Phipps, daughter of James and Semilda (Whisenand) Phipps, b. Mar. 14, 1884, d. Jan. 2, 1943. Married Harrison Dallas on Nov. 22, 1905. Harrison was born in 1880 near Janesville, Ill.
Children:
7-1 Ralph Dallas, married Jan. 5, 1935 to Josephine Hampton.
Children:
8-1 Ruth Evelyn Dallas, b. Apr. 15, 1941.
8-2 James Dallas, b. Sept. 15, 1943.

7-2 Jean Dallas, b. Sept. 4, 1930. Married on Aug. 8, 1949 to William Shull, b. Sept. 4, 1930.
Children:
8-1 William Stanley Shull, b. Apr. 21, 1951.
8-2 Robert Brant Shull, b. Jan. 11, 1953.
8-3 Alice Jean Shull, b. Sept. 3, 1954.

6-5 Hugh Phipps, son of James and Semilda (Whisenand) Phipps, b. 1885, d. 1950. Married Lola Barger, b. 1889, d. 1913 in a measles epidemic that swept the neighborhood.
Children:
7-1 Harry Phipps, b. 1910. Married Francis Miller in 1931. They live in Kansas, Ill., where they operate a hardware store.
Child:
8-1 Carol Ann Phipps, b. 1938.
6-5 Hugh Phipps next married Mary Pinnell, on Dec. 24, 1918.
Children:
7-2 James Phipps, b. 1920, married Virginia----. And lives at Skokie, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Susan Phipps.
8-2 Matilda Phipps.

7-3 Hugh Phipps, Jr., b. 1922. Married Charlotte Jack and lives at Manteno, Ill. No children.

7-4 Mary Louise Phipps, b. 1925. Married Max Moody of Charleston, Ill. No children.

Compiled from land abstracts, Monroe Co., Ind., marriage records, and Mrs. Madge (Whisenand) Cunningham, grand-daughter of Mahala (Wright) Whisenand.

4-3 Mahala Wright, daughter of Jesse and Susanna Wright, b. in Monroe, Co., Ind., in 1819, d. after 1860. Married on July 7, 1835 to George Whisenand, b. in Ind., in 1815, d. Jan. 1, 1875 in Cumberland Co., Ill. They purchased land in Cumberland, Co., Ill., their home site being NE, NE, SW, t. 11, R 8, E 3rd P.M. plus other lands. (Sec. 34)

Children:

5-1 Jesse Whisenand, b. 1838, d. Aug. 6, 1889.
5-2 Elizabeth Whisenand, b. 1840, d. May 26, 1891.
5-3 Mary Susan Whisenand, b. 1844, d. 1914.
5-4 Steven Whisenand, b. 1847, d. 1924.
5-5 Rebecca Whisenand, b. 1853 in Cumberland Co., Ill.

5-1 Jesse Whisenand, son of George and Mahala (Wright) Whisenand, b. about 1838, moved to Springfiled, Mo., married a widow and had children. The following is a card received by Mrs. Rebecca Thompson, sister of Jesse, from Jesse's wife, on Oct. 8, 1889.

Corrall Junction, Jasper Co., Mo., on Front, Reno, Mo., Reno, Christian Co., Mo., Oct. 8, 1889.
Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Dear Friends, I have thought for some time I would write you but was not certain of your address. You will be sorry to learn Jesse was killed Aug. 6, by an explosion in the Reno Mills. He lived about nine hours. I thought you would see an account of it in the St. Louis paper, but as I have not heard from you, I have come to the conclusion, you did not. I have four children, one boy and three girls. This leaves us well and hope it finds you the same. I remain, your sister, Florence E. Whisenand.

Ebb Whisenand, nephew of Jesse Whisenand, added this bit of information. Jesse Whisenand owned and operated a large sawmill at or near Springfield, Mo. He was going from man to man trying to get a bit more speed--- as speed was essential in this business and arrived at the boiler room just as it exploded. "It killed the boiler man and Jesse Whisenand. We lost touch with uncle Jesse's family after that, I am sorry to say." No further record or communication so far as known.

Data compiled by writer and Harold Fudge, Casey, Ill., son of Frank Fudge; and Andrew Mills, son of Mahala (Fudge) Mills.

5-2 Elizabeth Whisenand, daughter of George and Mahala (Wright) Whisenand, b. 1840 d 1891.

Married David Fudge and died at the home of her daughter, Mahala (Fudge) Mills, May 26, 1891. David died in July 1875. The Fudges are buried at Wright cemetery. Coles Co., Ill. No stones. David and Elizabeth had five children, all born near Johnstown, Ill., Cumberland County.

Children:

6-1 Jasper Fudge.
6-2 Frank Fudge.
6-3 Douglas Fudge.
6-4 Mahala Fudge.
6-5 Barbara Fudge.

6-1 Jasper Fudge, son of David and Elizabeth (Whisenand) Fudge, married Lucy Ridgeway and lived at Yale, Ill. Jasper was a road construction worker at Yale, Ill., for many years.

Children:

7-1 Hubert Fudge.
7-2 Elizabeth Fudge.
7-3 Maynard Fudge.
7-4 Ella Mae Fudge.
7-5 Robert Fudge.
7-6 Charles Fudge.
7-7 Loretta Fudge.
7-8 Jasper Fudge, Jr.
7-9 Froney Fudge.
7-10 Wayne Fudge.

Part of these children are still living near Yale and Casey, Illinois but I can get no further information.

6-2 Frank Fudge, son of David and Elizabeth (Whisenand) Fudge, married Hulda-----. Live near Yale, Illinois.

Children:

7-1 Earl Fudge, deceased.
7-2 Drucia Fudge.
7-3 David Fudge, deceased.
7-4 William Fudge, deceased.
7-5 Robert Fudge.
7-6 Rachael Fudge, twin of Robert.
7-7 Harold Fudge, Casey, Ill. One child.
7-8 Mable Fudge. Deceased.
No further information available.

6-3 Douglas Fudge, son of David and Elizabeth (Whisenand) Fudge, b. 1858, d. 1927. Married George Hannah Scott, born 1863, d. 1928. Data furnished by Cornelius and Fern Lang Fudge, Charleston, Illinois.

Children:

7-1 Goldie Fudge.
7-2 Lena Fudge.
7-3 Bertha Fudge.
7-4 Sarah Fudge.
7-5 Rose Fudge.
7-6 William Fudge.
7-7 Cornelius Fudge.
7-8 Clyde Fudge. Single.

7-1 Goldie Fudge, married Hilary White, of Charleston, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Helen Fudge married Floyd Walters. Deceased.
Children:
9-1 Buster Walters.
9-2 Janet Walters.
9-3 Donna Sue Walters.

7-2 Lena Fudge, married Dan Zean. No children.

7-3 Bertha Fudge, married Bert Raye. Divorced. Bertha then married a second time to Samuel Weaver. No children.
Children of Bertha (Fudge) and Bert Raye.
8-1 Sylvia Raye.
8-2 Charles Raye.

7-4 Sarah Fudge, married James Taylor. Divorced.
Child:
8-1 David Taylor, Charleston, Ill.

7-5 Rose Fudge, married Ed Wiltermood.
Children:
8-1 Tillie Wiltermood.
8-2 Lillian Wiltermood.
8-3 James Wiltermood, married Mary Walker.
Children:
9-1 William Wiltermood.
9-2 Carroll Wiltermood.

7-6 William Fudge, married Iris Reynolds, Charleston, Illinois.
Children:
8-1 Alice Fudge.
8-2 Richard Fudge.
8-3 Terry Lee Fudge.

7-7 Cornelius Fudge, married Fern Ann Lang, of Charleston, Ill. Cornelius and Fern live on a farm near Ashmore, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Juanita Fudge, b. May 26, 1925.
8-2 William Fudge, single. Employed by Petro Chemical works at Tuscola, Ill.

8-1 Juanita Fudge, b. May 26, 1925. Married on Feb. 1, 1945 to Harold Landrus, b. Jan. 28, 1922.
Children:
9-1 Max LaRae Landrus, b. Dec. 17, 1945, d. Sept. 13, 1951. Max LaRae or "Micky" as he was lovingly called, died with a rare type of brain tumor in the Methodist Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. Buried at Shiloh cemetery, Coles Co., Ill., beside his grandfather, Harmon Landrus.

Children of Juanita (Fudge) and Harold Landrus, Con't:

9-2 Dennis Landrus, b. Nov. 14, 1946.
9-3 Debra Sue Landrus, b. July 14, 1954.

Copied from the William and Mahala (Fudge) Mills family Bible. Additional data furnished by William and Mae (Hardwick) Mills.

6-4 Mahala Fudge, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Whisenand) Fudge, b. Apr. 22, 1865 at Johnstown, Ill., Cumberland Co., and married on Aug. 17, 1881 to William Mills, b. Mar. 21, 1854 in Spencer, Ind., a son of Joseph Mills. Mahala Mills died Jan. 16, 1921. William died Feb. 2, 1919. They are buried in the Ellsbury, Mo., cemetery. Mahala, like her sister, Barbara, was referred to as a lovely girl and a wonderful woman, a mother to everyone, and gay and lovable.
Children:

7-1 David Anderson Mills, b. July 14, 1883. D. Jan. 17.1956.
7-2 Maud Ora Mills, b. June 13, 1885.
7-3 Gay Viola Mills, b. Oct. 23, 1896.
7-4 Raymond Elmer Mills, b. Nov. 12, 1899.
7-5 William Mills, b. Apr. 1, 1905.

7-1 David Anderson Mills, son of William and Mahala (Fudge) Mills, b. July 14, 1883 at Westfield, Ill., was married to Flora Mae Hardwick, b. June 9, 1883, married on July 5, 1903. David A. Mills died Jan. 17,1956. Buried New Gordon Cemetery. Janesville, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Irwin Mills, b. May 6, 1904.
8-2 Olive Mills, b. July 5, 1908.
8-3 Wilma Mae Mills, b. June 3, 1909.
8-4 Ruth Evelyn Mills, b. Dec. 6, 1916.

8-1 Irwin Mills, b. May 6, 1904, married a Miss Young.
Children:
9-1 Barky Mills.
9-2 Phyllis Mills.
9-3 Ramona Mills, married a Mr. Spencer.
Children:
10-1 Peter Spencer.
10-2 Linda Spencer.
10-3 New baby, un-named at this writing.

8-2 Olive Mills, b. July 5, 1908, in Lucas, South Dakota. Married Howard Cisna.
Children:
9-1 Minnie Mae Cisna, b. Mar. 23, 1929. Married Kenneth Ward Sullivan, Ill.
9-2 Marie Priscilla Cisna, b. Mar. 22, 1931. Married Peter Sours. Peter in the Army at New Mexico.

9-1 Children of Minnie Mae and Kenneth Ward:
10-1 Judy Ward.
10-2 Johnny Ward.

8-3 Wilma Mae Mills, b. June 3, 1909, in Lucas, South Dakota. Married Jesse Brown.
Children:
9-1 Anna Mae Brown, married Mr. Craig. Three Children. Names unknown.
9-2 Jesse Brown, married an Austrian girl, three children. Names unknown.
9-3 Evelyn Brown. Single.
9-4 Gene Brown, single.

8-4 Ruth Evelyn Mills, b. Dec. 6, 1916, married Rella Packer. Divorced.
Children:
9-1 Madonna Packer. Married Carl Helmick. One child
9-2 Patsy Packer, married Herbert Marsh. Divorced.
Child:
10-1 Herbert Marsh, Jr.

Ruth Evelyn's second husband is Vinnie Lam.
Children:
9-3 Betty Lam, single.
9-4 Ray Lam, single.

7-2 Maud Ora Mills, daughter of William and Mahala (Fudge) Mills, b. June 13, 1885 in Clark Co., Ill. Married Clay Sexson of Neoga, Ill., where they reside.
Child:
8-1 Juanita Sexson, daughter of Clay and Maude Ora Mills Sexson, b. Apr. 2, 1914, married Jack Winings of Mattoon, Ill., and had six children. Juanita's second marriage on Nov. 25, 1949 was to Goble Pruitt, b. Aug. 6, 1900. The Pruitts live on Dewitt Ave., Mattoon, Ill., where Mrs. Pruitt operates a home laundry and Mr. Pruitt is caretaker of Dodge Grove cemetery in Mattoon. Sexson
Children of Juanita (~~Mills~~) Winings:
9-1 Leroy Winings, b. Dec. 21, 1932. Married Grace Martin and have one child.
Child:
10-1 Cindy Winings, b. June 6, 1954.
9-2 Mary Ann Winings, b. Sept. 3, 1934.
9-3 Shirley Winings, b. Aug. 14, 1936.
9-4 Donald Winings, b. Dec. 20, 1945.
9-5 Judith Winings, b. Dec. 12, 1946.
9-6 Larry Winings, b. Mar. 31, 1948.

7-3 Gay Viola Mills, daughter of William and Mahala (Fudge) Mills, b. Oct. 23, 1896, at Humboldt, Ill., Coles Co. Married Nov. 4, 1914 at Charleston, Ill., to Wm. Howard McNary, b. in Coles Co., Apr. 11, 1893 also at Humboldt, Ill. Mr. McNary is a farmer and carpenter. The family live near Rardin, Ill. They have six children, five of whom were born in Coles Co. This is a delightful family and very progressive.

Children of Gay Viola (Mills) and Wm. McNary:
8-1 Lloyd Orn McNary, b. Sept. 29, 1915 in Douglas Co., Ill.
8-2 Paul Everett McNary, b. June 25, 1917.
8-3 Cynthia Moree McNary, b. Dec. 28, 1920.
8-4 William Franklin McNary, b. Jan. 31, 1922.
8-5 Lenore Ann McNary, b. May 22, 1927.
8-6 Goldie Pauline McNary, b. Sept. 1, 1929.

8-2 Paul Everett McNary, b. June 25, 1917. Married Bessie Jane Crow, b. Feb. 22, 1919 at Arcola, Ill., where they live. Paul is a mechanic.
Children:
9-1 Shirley Ann McNary, b. Feb. 17, 1940.
9-2 Paul McNary, Jr., b. Aug. 24, 1942.
9-3 Sharon Kay McNary, b. Dec. 14, 1944.
9-4 Jackie Lee McNary, b. Aug. 16, 1947.
9-5 Susan Jane McNary, b. Aug. 16, 1951.

8-3 Cynthia Moree McNary, b. Dec. 28, 1920, married in Coles Co., Ill., on Mar. 2, 1941 to Richard Leon Pankey, son of Thomas G. and Anna Pankey, of Charleston, Ill., where this family live. Mr. and Mrs. Pankey are doing Missionary work.
Children:
9-1 James Carlyle Pankey, b. Oct. 19, 1942.
9-2 Richard Allen Pankey, b. June 25, 1944.
9-3 Virgie Kay Pankey, b. Mar. 9, 1949.

8-4 William Franklin McNary, b. Jan. 31, 1922, married on Sept. 28, 1945 to Virginia Elaine Mayo, b. Sept. 8, 1922 and is a daughter of the state of Alabama. They live in Orlando, Fla. William is a mechanic.
Child:
9-1 Ronny McNary, b. Jan. 25, 1947.

8-5 Lenore Ann McNary, b. May 22, 1927, and married Wayne Andrew Kirkham, b. May 6, 1924 in Edgar Co. They live in Indianapolis, Ind., where Wayne is with the General Electric Corp.
Child:
9-1 Ramona Lee Kirkham, b. Aug. 14, 1953.

8-6 Goldie Pauline McNary, b. Sept. 1, 1929 and married in Coles Co., Ill., on Sept. 24, 1949 to Robert Dean Wilson, b. Oct. 7, 1927. They live in Charleston, Ill. Dean is employed by Garwood Mauf., plant in Mattoon, Ill.
Child:
9-1 Sonja Kay Wilson, b. Dec. 1, 1951.

7-4 Raymond Elmer Mills, son of Wm. and Mahala (Fudge) Mills, b. Nov. 12, 1899. Coles Co., Ill. Married in 1919 to Edna Admire. 8 children. Address Foley, Mo. No information available.

7-5 Ida. Mills, son of Wm. and Mahala

7-5 William Mills, son of William and Mahala (Fudge) Mill, b. b. Apr. 1, 1905. Married in 1926 to Lucy Admire. Eight Children. Address, Anada, Mo. No information available.

6-5 Barbara Inas Fudge, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Whisenand) Fudge, was born near Johnstown, Ill., on May 3rd, 1859, and was married to Lafayette, called "Fay" Martin, ca 1879. Fay was born July, 1855 near Toledo, Ill., the Martin family having emigrated to Cumberland Co., Ill., from Tenn., and Ky. Barbara was considered a very beautiful girl, an unusually hard working and resourceful woman. It is told they had nine boys all in a row and every Sunday morning Barbara took her nine boys to Sunday School, and if sometimes they broke up the service, no one seemed to mind, and the next Sunday she was back with them again. Barbara's old neighbor's speak of her as one of the sweetest women they ever knew, fine and kind, and tolerant.

Fay Martin was a farmer and lived in various parts of Cumberland and Coles Co., Ill. In 1904, they moved from Illinois to Hamilton, Co., Texas, as Fay said, to escape high farm rent and to secure a large farm for his growing family. In 1906 he left Hamilton Co., moving into Erath Co., near Hico, Texas, where he purchased 600 acres of land and went into the ranching business and became very successful with grain, cotton and stock raising. Mr. Martin was a Mason and Fay and Barbara were members of the Church of Christ. Fay was referred to by the Rev. Nichols as, "the man who always left the latch string on the outside and on the inside was your home." Conservative, but generous, and never known to turn one who was in trouble, away. He was a resourceful and rugged individual, quick to anger, as quick to forgive.

Four of the Martin children became teachers, some attended college and have been quite a credit to Texas. They are a pleasing and gifted family.

After moving to Texas more children were born to Fay and Barbara until they were parents of 15 children. One through seven were born in Cumberland Co., Ill., near the small village of Croake. Eight through twelve were born in Coles Co., in the Trilla neighborhood. Number fourteen in Hamilton Co., Texas. Number fifteen in Erath Co., Texas.

It has been a task collecting data on this large and scattered family and is furnished by Mrs. Will Martin of Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mrs. Will Martin writes:

"The Martin family Bible with Barbara's records burned years ago in a fire that destroyed their home about 1912. I helped Barbara prepare a new record which blew away in the cyclone in which both she and Fay Martin lost their lives.."

I am told Barbara lost her life trying to persuade Mr. Martin to go to a cyclone cellar and which he refused to do as he had no conception of Texas cyclones. They had only just retired from the ranch and moved into the town of Ivan, Texas.

The clipping from a Texas newspaper states:

"A tornado struck the tiny of town of Ivan in the hills of Stephens County, Sunday. The twister approached from the west, hopping hills, slicing off trees even with the earth and stripping chickens of feathers before it roared into the hamlet.

The storm swept the countryside for two or three miles and cut off communications for some time. Three residences were crushed and others damaged badly. Dead were: E.F. Martin, 83, and Mrs. Martin, 79, a prominent couple trapped in their home in the storms center. Martin was a retired ranchman.

The storm was first sighted by 10 persons, half a mile over the hills from Ivan. The dark, funnel-shaped cloud, rising and dipping over the ranch country, then rushed toward the house, but the party ran into their cellar."

A note from the County Recorder of Stephens County, Texas states:

"Death records show, Barbara Inas Martin, May 22, 1938, accidental death due to cyclone or storm. Burial in Hico, Texas, Killed in Ivan, Texas. Mr. Martin was taken to the hospital in Graham, Texas, where he died. Graham is the County Seat of Young County."

An additional note from Texas Vital Statistics noted:

Barbara Inas Martin # 25140---5-22-1938.
Lafayette Martin # 25919---5-22-1938.

Children of Lafayette and Barbara (Fudge) Martin:

7-1 Charles Martin, d.y.
7-2 William M. Martin, b. May 27, 1883.
7-3 Harry Ivan Martin, b. May 22, 1885, married but disappeared. Last heard of ca 1937 or 8 near Mattoon at the popular Walk-athon held near that town. His family when last known were living in Biloxi, Miss.

Children of Lafayette and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, con't:

7-4 Lafayette Martin, called "Lafe", b. Jan. 12, 1888.
7-5 Stephen Martin, d.y.
7-6 Volley Martin, b. 1890.
7-7 Jesse Martin, d.y.
7-8 Edd Martin, b. Feb. 2, 1894.
7-9 Roscoe Martin, b. 1896, d. ca 1923. Was married. Buried at Hico, Texas.
7-10 Bryan Martin, b. 1897, d. ca 1911, buried at Hico, Texas.
7-11 Dewey Martin, b. Aug. 21, 1899.
7-12 Lynn Martin, b. 1900.
7-13 Ruth Martin, b. Dec. 3, 1902.
7-14 Leroy Martin, b. May, 1905.
7-15 Clifton Martin, b. Dec. 23, 1907.

7-2 William M. Martin, son of Lafayette and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. May 27, 1883, was married to Beulah Frances Basham, b. in Union, Oklahoma, April 15, 1888, a daughter of Jerry and Nancy Alice (Finley) Basham. Will and Beulah were married June 3, 1906. They have lived in Corpus Christi, Texas since 1918 and at present are living at 1116 Craig St., Corpus Christi. Mr. Martin is a carpenter and contractor and at present is retired. He is a member of the Stephensville IOOF Lodge # 337, and has been since 1910. He is an inveterate reader and enjoys card games. He moved to Texas from Cumberland Co., Ill., with his parents and as a youngster recalls some lively escapades that transpired here. Once his great uncle Robert Cather visited his family and Robert, as the favorite uncle of the various children had sang them an old doggrel of the day and popular with the children.

"Old Dan Tucker, he's the man
Washes his face in the frying pan,
Combs his hair with a wagon wheel
And died with the toothache in his heel.

Old Dan Tucker, he got drunk
He jumped in the fire and kicked out a chunk,
A coal of fire got his shoe,
And oh lawd!-- a mighty how the ashes flew."

So, not to be outdone, young Will dropped a coal of fire in his Uncle Bob's boot just before he donned it. Needless to surmise--- the ashes flew again.

Beulah (Basham) Martin has many hobbies. One is writing poetry, a task she has been at for over fifty years, and will soon be published in a book. Recently, five of her poems were printed in an Anthology of poetry entitled Important American poets and Song Writors. One poem is being set to music and Poetry Digest has asked permission to print a favorite, The Stranger. Among her first poems is one dealing with the assination of President McKinley and written Sept. 6, 1901.

Among her best known are "The Stranger", "The Brain Attic", "We're no Sap, Mr. Jap", written during war II, when two of her sons were in the Armed Forces, one stationed in Cuba, one in Alaska. "The Evil of Strong Drink," written when Beulah was 12, and"Sunrise on Corpus Christi Bay." Born in Oklahoma , Beulah moved to Hico, Texas with her parents at the age of two, and to Corpus Christi in 1918, where, much like a dyed-in-the-wool native she writes:

"When our God was painting nature
With it's beauty to unfold
He stopped in Corpus Christi
For the Sunrise, I am told.

Yes, God's great hand did some painting
And the beauty's here to stay
Where no thrill excells the sunrise
Over Corpus Christi bay."

Beulah is a member of the National Grandmothers Club Charter 44, and of the Navy Mother's club, also of the Rebekah Lodge. She and Will are members of the Central Church of Christ since 1912. She was listed on the 1953 ballot of 12 local women for the "Texas Woman of Distinction," sponsored by the C.C. chamber of Commerce. Children of William and Beulah (Basham) Martin, one through four born in Erath Co., Texas. Five and six in Nueces Co., Texas. Children:

8-1 Ivan Doyle Martin, b. Aug. 6, 1908.
8-2 Gorman Blaine Martin, b. Aug. 23, 1911.
8-3 Lesley Fern Martin, b. Sept. 25, 1913.
8-4 William Frank Martin, b. Dec. 1, 1917, d. Oct. 7, 1937, in Stephensville, Texas.
8-5 Wynona May Martin, b. May 4, 1920.
8-6 Sybil Faye Martin, b. Jan. 10, 1923.

8-1 Ivan Doyle Martin, b. Aug. 6, 1908. He was married on Oct. 20, 1933 to Evelyn Inez Miller. Doyle is in the Navy having completed 18 and half years service. He is a Mason and has hobbies of fishing and gun collecting. They are members of the Church of Christ. They live at China Lake, Calif., Box 411.
Children:
9-1 Billy Doyle Martin, b. March 7, 1936. He is with the Air Corps and in school studying Radar and Electronics at Biloxi, Miss.
9-2 Robert "Bob" Martin, b. April 10, 1939 in Fred Roberts Hospital, Corpus Christi, Texas. He is in school and very talented in music.
9-3 Darrel Wayne Martin, b. May 13, 1949 at the Naval Hospital Corpus Christi, Texas. He is a talented musician and was giving accordian solos at the age of five years.

8-2 Gorman Blaine Martin, b. Aug. 23, 1911, and was married to LaVerne Alice May of Abiline, Texas on Jan. 7, 1946 in the parlor of Abiline Christian College. Gorman is a book-keeper and assistant manager of Mathieu-Electric Co., of Corpus Christi. They are members of the Church of Christ. Gorman is a golf enthusiast, and lives at 5909 Rio Vista Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas.
Children:
9-1 Gorman Glenn Martin, b. Jan. 8, 1949.
9-2 Rawley Blaine Martin, b. May 24, 1952.

8-3 Lesley Fern Martin, b. Sept. 25, 1913 and married on June 20, 1936 to Carrie Catherine Stephenson of Corpus Christi, Texas. Lesley is a traveling salesman. Address, Gen. Delivery, Part-Lavalli, Texas.
Child:
9-1 Carry Lee Martin, b. Feb. 14, 1938.

8-5 Wynona May Martin, b. May 4, 1920. She was married to Jesse E. Shaw on May 25, 1940. Jesse is a Mason and both are members of the Church Christ. Mr. Shaw is an employee of the Gulf Oil Co., as Safety Advisor. They live on R.R. 5, out of Troup, Texas.
Children:
9-1 Nancy Ines Shaw, b. May 24, 1942 in Baptist Hospital, in New Orleans, La.
9-2 Dody Shaw, b. and died in 1946 in Spahn Hospital, Corpus Christi, Texas.
9-3 Rhody Lynn Shaw, b. May 19, 1949. Rhody is a very handsome and attractive lad and was chosen to appear as Back Cover boy of the Gulf Safety News.

8-6 Sybil Faye Martin, b. Jan. 10, 1923. She was married to Leonard Osborn O'Rear of Atlanta, Texas on Aug. 29, 1941. Mr. O'Rear is with the Independant Borden Co., which produces milk products. He owns and operates his own truck in handling these products over a fifty mile area. They live in Refugio, Texas, P.O. Box 323.
Children:
9-1 Brenda Joyce O'Rear, b. Nov. 5, 1942.
9-2 Barbara Faye O'Rear, b. Nov. 7, 1945.
9-3 Joffry Martin O'Rear, b. Aug. 24, 1955 in Refugio Hospital.

7-4 Lafayette Martin, called "Lafe", son of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. Jan. 12, 1888. He was married to Mollie Fowler on Mar. 7, 1914. Mollie was born on Dec. 17, 1896. Lafe was educated in the grade schools and attended the John Tarlton College of Stephensville, Texas and State University of Austin. He was a teacher from 1911 to 1921, when he left this profession to become a farmer-rancher. He lives at Corpus Christi, R. 2, Texas.

Children of "Lafe" and Mollie (Fowler) Martin:

8-1 Lafayette Martin, b. Mar. 15, 1915, d. Jan. 3, 1933.

8-2 Thomas Bryan Martin, b. Sept. 30, 1916. Thomas was married to Bobbie Fisher in April of 1949. Bobbie was born in June, 1915. One son:

9-1 Tommy Martin, b. Feb. 4, 1950.

7-4 Lafayette and Mollie (Fowler) Martin, divorced in 1924. Lafe's second marriage was to Lola Adams on Sept. 25, 1925. Child:

8-3 Helen Martin, b. July 21, 1926. Helen was married on Jan. 4, 1945 to Clement Starry, a farmer-rancher. They live on R. 1, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Children:

9-1 Clement Starry, Jr., b. Sept. 12, 1948.

9-2 Laurel Starry, b. May 17, 1950.

9-3 Glen Starry, b. Dec. 1, 1953.

7-6 Volley Martin, son of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. in 1890, was married to Mable Jean LaMar in 1915. Divorced. Volley's second marriage was to Ola ----. Divorced. Ola lives at Ivan, Texas. Volley is married a third time and lives at 6440, Marquita St., Dallas, Texas. Volley attended John Tarlton College and San Marcus State Teachers College. He was a teacher from 1913 to 1923 when he became interested in Real Estate at which business he became very successful.

Son of Volley and Mable Jean Martin:

8-1 Bryan Martin, b. 1917. Bryan is married and has two Children.

7-8 Edward Martin, son of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. Feb. 2, 1894. He was married in 1913 at Stephensville, Texas to Lucy Sarah Lackey, b. in 1893. Edd is a carpenter and lives at 2515 Lynch St., Corpus Christi, Texas.

Children:

8-1 Avery Martin, b. Aug. 22, 1915.

8-2 Donald Albert Martin, b. Oct. 20, 1919.

8-3 Gail Virginia Faye Martin, b. Apr. 20, 1922.

8-4 Ruth Marcelle Martin, b. Nov. 23, 1923.

8-5 Daisy Lucille Martin, b. Nov. 23, 1923. Twin of Ruth.

8-6 Nadine Martin, b. May 8, 1925.

8-1 Avery Martin, b. Aug. 22, 1915, was married on July 25, 1941 to Marciana Kovar, b. Jan. 9, 1922. Avery is a carpenter and lives at 202 Edwards St., Corpus Christi, Texas.

Children:

9-1 Troy Daniel Martin, b. Sept. 20, 1942.

9-2 Jackalynn Rose Martin, b. Sept. 15, 1944.

9-3 Cleo Frances Martin, b. June 9, 1946.

9-4 Hazel Jo Martin, b. Oct. 13, 1947.

9-5 Clyde Jackson Martin, b. Sept. 2, 1951.

8-2 Donald Albert, called "Don" Martin, b. Oct. 20, 1919 and was married on July 15, 1939 to Josephine Howard, b. July 29, 1921. Don is a carpenter and lives at 1543, 15th St., Corpus Christi, Texas.
Children:
9-1 Howard Lee Martin, b. May 2, 1940.
9-2 Glenda Kay Martin, b. Apr. 15, 1947. Glenda Kay is an accomplished acrobat and has made close to 80 public appearances, to T.V. audiences she is known as "Little Miss Limberlegs."

8-3 Daisy Lucille Martin, b. Nov. 23, 1923, was married in 1944 to Gordon M. Carlson. They live in Denver, Colo.
Child:
9-1 Gregory D. Carlson, b. Nov. 4, 1953, d. June 26, 1955.

8-5 Ruth Marcelle Martin, b. Nov. 23, 1923, was married in Aug. 1946 to Lawrence Scott. Mr. Scott is a flyer with the Naval Reserve Service. They live at 2517 Elizabeth St., Corpus Christi, Texas.
Children:
9-1 Catheryn Lynn Scott, b. July 11, 1949.
9-2 Constance Gale Scott, b. Sept. 9, 1951.
9-3 Carry Elizabeth Scott, b. Apr. 25, 1953.

7-11 Dewey Alvin Martin, son of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, was born Aug. 21, 1899 at Toledo, Ill. Dewey married Bertha Chloe Lasater, on Oct. 3, 1927. A daughter of J.M. and Mary Lasater. Chloe was born at Thurber, Texas, Oct. 1, 1910. Dewey and Chloe Martin live at 1012 Castell St., Texarkana, Ark.
Children:
8-1 Billie Alvin Martin, b. Oct. 10, 1929. Olney, Texas, Young Co.
8-2 Patricia Ann Martin, b. July 27, 1939 at Graham, Young Co. Texas.

8-1 Billie Alvin Martin was married to Claudia Walker on May 29, 1948 at Forth Worth, Texas.
Children:
9-1 Billie Wayne Martin, b. Sept. 6, 1950 at Abilene, Texas.
9-2 Robert Lynn Martin, b. Sept. 6, 1952 at Wichita Falls, Texas.
9-3 Janice Marie Martin, b. Nov. 10, 1953 at Wichita Falls, Texas.

7-12 Lynn Martin, son of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. in 1900, he was first married to Dorothy------. Two girls, two sons born to them. One son was fatally injured in an automobile accident in Calif., in 1937. Lynn is a construction Promotor and lives in New Orleans, La. Lynn's second marriage was to Ethel Anderson of near Hico, Texas, in 1939. They have two children.

7-13 Ruth Martin, only daughter of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. Dec. 3, 1902. She was married to Joshua Souls Johnson on Dec. 28, 1919. Ruth was educated in the Hico grade schools and had one year of college at Stephensville, John Tarlton. Mr. Johnson is a farmer. The family live on R. 3, Stephensville, Texas.
Children:

8-1 Jottie Sherrell Johnson, b. Jan. 30, 1923.
8-2 Billy Gene Johnson, b. Feb. 25, 1928.

8-1 Jottie Sherrell Johnson was married to Ray Sumerall in 1943. Jottie was in the armed forces overseas and lost his life on one last flight over the "Hump" on the Burma road into China. Jottie was packed and ready to return to the States on leave when a call came for a volunteer to fly this mission. Jottie volunteered and was shot down soon after taking to the air. He was buried at Stephensville, Texas with full honors.
Child:
9-1 Sharon Kay Johnson, b. May 1, 1945.

8-2 Billy Gene Johnson, b. Feb. 25, 1928 was married on Oct. 27, 1950 to Barbara Reeder. No children.

7-14 Leroy Martin, b. 1905, married Bessie -----, about 1921. They live at Stephensville, Texas. No children.

7-15 Earnest Clifton Martin, son of Fay and Barbara (Fudge) Martin, b. Dec. 23, 1907 in Erath Co., Texas near Hico. He was married to Claytia Blackburn, b. July 17, 1910, same county and married Aug. 1, 1926 at Stephensville, Texas. Clifton is a farmer and lives at Hico, Texas, R. 4.
Child:

8-1 Earnest Ray Martin, b. Aug. 3, 1928, in Erath Co., Hico, Texas. He was married to Faye Ruth Myrick, born in Florence, Alabama on Nov. 3, 1930.
Children:
9-1 Donald Ray Martin, b. Aug. 30, 1950.
9-2 Danny Lee Martin, b. Mar. 31, 1954.

5-3 Mary Susan Whisenand, daughter of George and Mahala (Wright) Whisenand, b. May 20, 1844, d. June 30, 1914. Married Robert Lawrence Cather, b. Jan. 29, 1846 in Clark Co., Ind. They were married at the close of the Civil War from which Robert was discharged Sept. 16, 1865. Robert died June 27, 1906. Susan was a school teacher and considered a very beautiful girl. Burial place, Drummonds cemetery, near Neal, Ill. Children all born at Johnstown, Illinois.

Children:

6-1 Sarah Felissa Cather, b. Feb. 16, 1867. d. Sept. 4, 1928.
6-2 Ansel Abraham Cather, b. Jan. 10, 1876, d. Feb. 23, 1930.

6-1 Sarah Felissa Cather, b. Feb. 16, 1867, d. Sept. 4, 1928. Married in 1888 to James Warner, b. 1861, near Toledo, Ill. Mr. Warner was a farmer, and was still living in July, 1955, south and west of Toledo, Ill., but is retired.

Child:

7-1 Lola Golden Warner, b. Aug. 14, 1889, and married on June 29, 1912 to Vernon Brainard, who died June 29, 1954. They lived in Indianapolis, Ind. One child named MaryLawerence for her grandparents.

Child:

8-1 Marylawrence Brainard, b. Feb. 7, 1917 and was married Sept. 6, 1942 to Maurice Butler. They live at 6412 N. Oakland Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

Children:

9-1 Mark Alan Butler, b. Oct. 17, 1943.
9-2 Janet Lyn Butler, b. Apr. 9, 1947.
9-3 Dale Maurice Butler, b. Nov. 26, 1948.
9-4 Dean Paul Butler, b. Oct. 25, 1951.

Janet and Mark are baton twirlers and have won several medals and ribbons. The other two are just normal, happy children and aspire as yet, to no honors.

6-2 Ansel Cather, son of Robert and Susan (Whisenand) Cather, b. June 10, 1876, d. Feb. 23, 1930. Married in Dec. 1895 to Cora Bell Kinnamon of Toledo, Ill., b. Apr. 28, 1880. d. Feb. 15, 1942.

Children:

7-1 Iris Alberta Cather, b. July 27, 1897.
7-2 Gertrude Susan Cather, b. Oct. 8, 1899. Both are living.

7-1 Iris Alberta Cather, b. July 27, 1897, married a Mr. Ayers, and had one daughter. Alberta lives in Chicago, Ill.

Child:

8-1 Roberta Ayers, b. Feb. 19, 1916 and married Edward Cayzell, who was born at Vincennes, Ind. Roberta was named for Robert Cather, as he was well loved and a prime favorite of all his grandchildren.

Child of Roberta and Edward Cayzell:
9-1 Ronald Cayzell, b. July 26, 1939. The family live in Terre Haute, Ind. Mr. Edward Cayzell was in World War II, was apparently in good health, was discharged and came home to his family but within a few days collapsed with a heart attack and was gone quickly.

7-2 Gertrude Susan Cather, b. Oct. 8, 1899, married in Mattoon, Ill., to a Mr. Carl Jewell.
Child:
8-1 Carl Jewell, Jr., b. Oct. 26, 1920. He married a girl named Alice Mae who died after the birth of their child.
Child:
9-1 Michael Jewell, b. 1945. Carl Jr., and Michael live with Carl's mother, Gertrude Jewell, in Vincennes, Ind.

Data furnished by Madge Cunningham, Oblong, Ill., daughter of Steven Whisenand.

5-4 Steven Whisenand, son of George and Mahala (Wright) Whisenand, b. in Shelby, Co., Ind., in 1847. Moved with his parents as a small child to Charleston, Ill., then to Johnstown, Ill., Cumberland Co. After his marriage to Minerva he lived in Arcola, Ill., a short while then moved to Yale, Ill., where he raised his family of 14 children. He was a leader in the Democratic party in his township (Granville Twp.) was a farmer and his family attended the Church of Christ. Steven married Minerva Jane Boyd in 1874. She was born in 1856, d. 1936. They are buried at Yale, Ill.
Children:
6-1 Ancil Whisenand, b. 1875, d. 1946.
6-2 Steven Whisenand, b. 1877, d. 1946.
6-3 Georgia Whisenand, b. 1880, d. 1929.
6-4 Frankie Whisenand, b. 1882, d. 1930.
6-5 Pearl Whisenand, b. 1884.
6-6 Jessie Whisenand, b. 1886, d. 1908.
6-7 Orris Whisenand, b. 1888.
6-8 Ebb Quincy Whisenand, b. 1890.
6-9 Lola Rebecca Whisenand, b. 1892.
6-10 Orr Whisenand, b. 1894.
6-11 Ivan Whisenand, b. 1896, d. 1898.
6-12 Karl Whisenand, b. 1896, d. 1954. Twin of Ivan.
6-13 Esmond Whisenand, b. 1898.
6-14 Madge Whisenand, b. 1900.

6-1 Ancil Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. Jan. 23, 1875, in Washington, Mo., d. Jan. 12, 1946. Married Ora B. Hunt in 1902. Ora B., died after birth of one child.
Child:
7-1 Corwin Whisenand, deceased.

Ancil Whisenand's obituary reads: "Mr. Whisenand, was a life long Democrat having been educated in the school of politics by his father, Steven, and always supported its principles. He served as County Chariman, Precinct Committeeman of Granville Twp., and President of the village board of Yale, Illinois. He worked for projects for Public benefit and was instrumental in bringing the present REA lighting system to this town. He also worked for construction of highways No. 49 and 33 through Jasper Co. He was a member of the Methodist church and Sunday School Supt., for many years. Mr. Whisenand was dearly loved by the little children of the community."

6-2 Steven Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1877, d. 1946. Married Adeline Warren. Steven is mentioned in the Jasper Co., History as an intellectual, a school teacher and prominent in politics and builder in the development of his county.
Children:
7-1 Pauline Whisenand, married Jules Woodward, Tuscon, Ariz.
7-2 Burns Whisenand, single, of Tuscon, Ariz.

6-3 Georgia Whisenand, daughter of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1880, d. in 1929. Married William Castille.
Child:
7-1 Margaret Castille. Tipton, Indiana.
Georgia married a second time to J.D. Cunningham.
Children:
7-2 David Cunningham. Arcadia, Ohio.
7-3 Daniel Cunningham.

6-4 Frankie Whisenand, daughter of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1882, married Harry Richard in 1930. No children.

6-5 Pearl Whisenand, daughter of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1884, married Frank Money. They live at 444 N. 6th St., Terre Haute, Ind. No children.

6-6 Jessie Whisenand, daughter of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1886, d. 1908. Married H.W. Harris. No children.

6-7 Orris Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1888. Orris is a farmer. Single.

6-8 Ebb Quincy Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. in 1890. Married Mattie Flannigan. They have a lovely home in Newton, Ill. No children. Ebb is operator of the huge food center--Newton's super-market, which he built up from a small grocery that was once in a niche on the Newton square.

6-9 Lola Rebecca Whisenand, daughter of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. in 1892. Married W.D. Reed. Divorced. Lola lives in Newton, Ill.
Children:
7-1 Minerva Reed. Married Denzil Huddleston.
Children:
8-1 Minerva Susan Huddleston.
8-2 Lola Kathleen Huddleston.
8-3 Steven Denzil Huddleston.

7-2 Steven Reed, married Betty Lou McKinney.
Children:
8-1 Betty Lou Reed.
8-2 Stanley Reed.

6-10 Orr Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1894. Married Hazel Ault. No children. Orr is a farmer near Yale, Ill.

6-11 Ivan Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1896. Deceased 1898.

6-12 Karl Whisenand, twin brother of Ivan, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1896. d. Feb. 1954. Married Imogene Moran, deceased.
Children:
7-1 Betty Mae Whisenand.
7-2 Madeline Sue Whisenand.
7-3 Karl Holman Whisenand. Single.

7-1 Betty Mae Whisenand, married Mr. Woods.
Children:
8-1 Wilma Woods.
8-2 Ann Woods.
8-3 William Woods.

7-2 Madeline Sue Whisenand, married and has six Children:
8-1 Judy
8-2 William
8-3 Spencer
8-4 Bradley
8-5 James
8-6 Denzil

6-13 Esmond Whisenand, son of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. in 1898. Married Myrtle----. Lives in PawPaw, Mich. No children.

6-14 Madge Whisenand, daughter of Steven and Minerva (Boyd) Whisenand, b. 1900. Married Norman Cunningham, of Oblong, Ill., where they operate a thriving grocery store.
Children:
7-1 Norman Whisenand Cunningham. Single.
7-2 Alice Marilyn Cunningham, married Bruce Glazon.
Children:
8-1 Deborah Madge Glazon.
8-2 Robin Kay Glazon. These two children are identical twin girls.

5-5 Rebecca Whisenand, daughter of George and Mahala (Wright) Whisenand, b. 1853, married a Frank Thompson and moved to Yale, Ill., where they operated a general store. Yale, at that time was called Granville, Ill. They sold their business interests there about 1870 and moved to Joplin, Mo., and bought another general store. They had children but have no further record of them. But according to the postal card from Jesse Whisenand's widow to Rebecca Thompson, in 1889, the Thompsons were living in St. Louis, Mo., and Ebb Whisenand adds a bit to that. Rebecca and Frank Thompson died in St. Louis, Mo., he is sure. Too, they had one son, George Whisenand, named for his grandfather, George, and possibly others, but not sure.

4-4 Elizabeth Wright, daughter of Jesse W. and Susanna Wright, born in Monroe Co., Ind., Dec. 28, 1823, d. Apr. 14, 1888. On July 9, 1840 she married Levi Hill of near Smithville, Ind., Monroe Co. Levi was a son of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, b. Aug. 17, 1821. d. Dec. 17, 1905. Levi and Elizabeth came to Cumberland Co., Ill., in the fall of 1850 or 1851, and bought land near the Webster school, four miles east of Johnstown, Ill., and lived there all their lives. Levi and his family first lived half mile west of Johnstown on a farm while he was looking about to buy his own farm in this new land. He bought his first 20 acres for a homestead with a log house already upon it, from R.A. Mitchell. The SE¼ W½ NW¼ Sec. 33, t. 11, R 9 on Feb. 5, 1855, as copied from the abstracts of his grandson, Ross Hill, who now owns this farm and lives upon it. Later, on Mar. 25, 1854, and Mar. 25, 1856, Levi purchased adjoining tracts of land from Sam and James Mitchell, R. A. Mitchell's heirs. Levi having worked for the Mitchell's in the time he moved into this neighborhood before purchasing land. They were members of the old Christian church at Johnstown, Ill.
Children of Levi and Elizabeth (Wright) Hill:

5-1 Lemuel Hill, b. 1842, d. 1854.
5-2 Basil Hill, b. Apr. 18, 1844, d. Apr. 12, 1885.
5-3 Jesse Hill, b. 1847, death date unknown.
5-4 Susan Hill, b. 1852, d. 1882.
5-5 Isaac Marion Hill, d. May 20, 1854, age five months.
5-6 John T. Hill, b. 1856. d. 1931.
5-7 Douglas Hill, b. 1859, d. 1931.

5-2 Basil Hill, son of Levi and Elizabeth (Wright) Hill, b. Apr. 18, 1844 in Monroe Co., Ind., d. Apr. 12, 1885. He was married on Nov. 17, 1867 to Ann Frances (Gowin) daughter of Thomas Dodd and Jemima (Lowry) Gowin and born in Davie Co., North Carolina on Aug. 4, 1841, d. Feb. 7, 1916 in Sheridan Ore. They were married in Coles Co., Ill. In 1875, Basil and his brother, Jesse Hill, and their families moved to Neb., into the same neighborhood (Litchfield) where Enoch and Elizabeth (Butler) Gowin had settled the year previously. Enoch and Ann (Gowin) Hill being brother and sister.

Basil and Jesse Hill settled on Clear Creek and took up homesteads and built their houses near the stream. The Basil Hill homesite is now marked only by the few trees they planted while they lived there. The farm was later known as the Burtner place. Jesse Hill took up the claim to the south of Basil and later this was known as the Wm. Kohls farm. ~~Probably Jesse and his two daughters died here as is known. They died in Neb., of t.b., and his [illegible] and surviving daughter, Bertha, returned to Illinois.~~
After some years in Neb., Basil purchased a farm near Clyde, Mo., in Mar. of 1885 and in taking his family there by train, was caught in a cold rain. He contracted a cold which developed into pneumonia He died April 12, 1885. Later the family returned to Neb., to be near the brother, Enoch Gowin.

Children of Basil and Ann (Gowin) Hill:

6-1 Eddie Hill, b. 1859, d. Feb. 22, 1870. Meningitis.
6-2 Thomas E. Hill, d. Nov. 10, 1870, age 11 months. Membraneous croupe.
6-3 Ora Ellen Hill, b. Oct. 19, 1872, d. Apr. 6, 1946.
6-4 Winnie Hill, b. June 27, 1875.
6-5 Clifton Hill, b. May 5, 1877.
6-6 James Enoch Hill, b. May 1, 1880, d. Apr. 5, 1945, of cancer.

6-3 Ora Ellen Hill, daughter of Basil and Ann (Gowin) Hill, b. Coles Co., Ill., Oct. 19, 1872, d. Apr. 6, 1946. She was married in Sherman Co., Litchfield, Neb., Jan. 1, 1888 to Edd Ferguson a native of Indiana, b. Mar. 18, 1864, d. Oct. 5, 1953. Two children were born to them in Litchfield, Neb.

Children:

7-1 Roy C. Ferguson, b. Jan. 7, 1892, married Cora Gilbert in Salem, Ore., on Aug. 28, 1919. Roy is an accountant and book-keeper. Also a minister. He teaches a class in Sunday school and his aunt Winnie (Hill) Hamman of Salem, Ore., says is the best teacher her class ever had.

Children:

8-1 Caryl Ferguson, b. Apr. 20, 1920.
8-2 Byrel Ferguson, b. May 14, 1925.
8-3 Marilyn Ferguson, b. Aug. 20, 1933.

8-1 Caryl Ferguson, b. Apr. 20, 1920, in Salem, Ore., married on July 12, 1941 to Lloyd Hoeye, of Salem, Ore. Lloyd was in the armed forces until the last part of 1941 when he was given a medical discharge. He was a Lt. Comm., and is going to college on a G.I. bill. He will graduate in the spring of 1955. Caryl is a school teacher and is employed in a school near Portland, Ore.

Children:

9-1 Stephen Hoeye, b. Sept. 12, 1945.
9-2 Robin Hoeye, b. Nov. 22, 1948.
9-3 Ellen Hoeye, b. Sept. 17, 1950.

8-2 Byrel Ferguson, b. May 14, 1925, in Salem, Ore., married Allen L. Berg, who was born in Canada. They live in Calif., and have one child.
Child:
9-1 David Royal Berg, b. Oct. 5, 1954.

8-3 Marilyn Ferguson, b. Aug. 20, 1933, in Salem, Ore., married Clyde D. Rhoads. Clyde is a service station attendant. He has one year of college to his credit. They live in the old Edd Ferguson home in Salem and have one child.
Child:
9-1 Rodney Rhoads, b. Aug. 3, 1954.

7-2 Lulu Ferguson, daughter of Edd and Ora (Hill) Ferguson, b. Jan. 24, 1894, married on Sept. 5, 1915 to Leslie Stephens. They have no children. Leslie does roofing on construction work. Lulu is a clerk and had been employed in this capacity for the last thirty years. They live at 1055 Market St., Salem, Oregon.

6-4 Winnie Elizabeth Hill, b. Cumberland Co., Ill., on June 27, 1875. Married at Litchfield, Neb., Jan. 26, 1897 to Joseph Hamman, a native of Indiana. Mr. Hamman was accidently drowned while on a fishing trip on June 27, 1935. This tragedy chanced to happen on Winnie's birthday. Winnie Hamman lives at 445 University St., Salem, Ore.
Children:
7-1 Verda Murrel Hamman, b. July 26, 1898.
7-2 Gladys Leona Hamman, b. Nov. 11, 1900.
7-3 Gilbert Coland Hamman, b. Sept. 10, 1902.
7-4 Floyd Roscoe Hamman, b. Aug. 23, 1904.
7-5 Hazel Pearl Hamman, b. Nov. 9, 1908.

7-1 Verda Murrel Hamman, b. July 26, 1898 at Litchfield, Neb., married Harold Deacon in San Francisco, Calif., and live in Salem, Ore., where Mr. Deacon is employed in a cannery. Verda is an employee in the State House at Salem, Ore.
Children:
8-1 Laurette May Deacon, b. Apr. 5, 1924.
8-2 Kenneth Deacon, b. Aug. 30, 1925.
8-3 Robert Deacon, b. Apr. 6, 1926.
8-4 Judy Theron Deacon, b. Mar. 25, 1940. Judy is a student of Lovelhorst Academy near Portland, Ore. She is considered a very fine musician.

8-1 Laurette May Deacon, b. Apr. 5, 1924, was married to Ben Johnson, Jan. 25, 1943 in Portland, Ore. Ben is a mechanic and Laurette is employed as a stenographer.
Child:
9-1 Suzanne Johnson, b. May 25, 1944. Suzanne is a very apt pupil, and a talented accordian player at the age of 11 years.

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8-2 Kenneth Deacon, b. Aug. 30, 1925 was married to Ann Erickson on Dec. 22, 1951. Kenneth graduated from college in the spring of 1954 and is teaching in Glide, Ore.
Child:
9-1 Nancy Deacon, b. Sept. 2, 1954.

8-3 Robert Deacon, b. Apr. 6, 1926, married to Marilyn Kilber, Nov. 22, 1952. Robert got his Masters Degree in geology two years ago and is employed by an oil company in Olympia, Wash.
Children:
9-1 Cynthia Deacon, b. May 25, 1953.
9-2 Graham Deacon, b. May 23, 1954.

7-2 Gladys Leona Hamman, b. in Mills City, Ore., Nov. 11, 1900. Married Nov. 1, 1945 to Norman McClelland of Salem, Ore. Norman is a machinist at Alderwood Manor, Wash. Gladys operates a variety store, where she has built up a very successful business from "scrath" as the old timers say. She has just returned from a trip to Honolulu (1954) where she visited her sister, Mrs. Orville Ayers. Mr. Ayers is an officer in the Coast Guard. Gladys and Norman have no children.

7-3 Gilbert Coland Hamman, b. Sept. 10, 1902 in Stayton, Ore. Gilbert is a graduate of the Williamette University and at present is working in Fairview Home, an Institution for the feeble minded. He was married on Sept. 11, 1925 to Enid Snow.
Children:
8-1 Kenton Frank Hamman, b. Feb. 7, 1926 who is in the army and is stationed in Alaska.
8-2 Randall Gilbert Hamman, b. Feb. 1927 in in the army and is stationed in Japan. These boys expect to enter college upon receiving their discharge from army duty.
8-3 Gregory Joe Hamman, b. 1938 is still in high school but plans to enter college.

7-4 Floyd Hamman, b. Aug. 23, 1904 at Stayton, Ore., on July 31, 1933 he was married to Zoa Good. Floyd took over his father's stage business after his father's death in 1935, and has built up a good business, has extended the line and is considered a very able business man.

Children of Floyd and Zoa (Good) Hamman:

8-1 Joan Hamman, b. Jan. 10, 1935. Joan has had three years of college at present.

8-2 Beverly Hamman, b. May 19, 1937, was chosen honor student of the month in Salem high school, and has been a straight "A" student all through her high school years. She plans to enter college at Portland, Ore., in the fall of 1955.

8-3 Donna Hamman, b. Aug. 10, 1939.

8-4 Stephen Hamman, b. July 15, 1948.

7-5 Hazel Pearl Hamman, b. Nov. 10, 1908 in Stayton, Ore., was married to Orville Ayers, on June 11, 1938. Mr. Ayers is an officer in the Coast Guard and has been stationed all over the world. They have lived in most of the cities that have a waterfront, Winnie Hamman writes: "He has been stationed in Honolulu T.H., the past three years. They like the climate and living conditions there and plan to make their home there when Mr. Ayers retires from service." No children.

6-5 Clifton Hill, son of Basil and Ann (Gowin) Hill, b. in Coles Co., Ill., on May 5, 1877. He married Dora Gregory, a widow with a small child, which Clifton raised as his own. After Dora's death, Clifton married Millie Wright and lives on his prosperous farm at Sheridan, Ore., R. 1. No children.

6-6 James Enoch Hill, son of Basil and Ann (Gowin) Hill, b. May 1, 1880, d. Apr. 5, 1945 of cancer. Jim was quite successful in a business way although he shot off his right hand when only 13 years of age. His sister, Winnie Hamman, writes of him: "James was one of the finest, jolliest, best natured men I ever knew. No one ever heard him howling about the loss of his hand. He made a wonderful living for his family and is missed dreadfully, not only by relatives but by his hosts of friends."
I learned a bit more of James Enoch Hill from his wife, Linnie. She writes: "Jim and I were only back to visit the Hill relatives once, and that was on a rather hurried visit. We went to see your mother, Lena (Hill) Landrus, and had a lovely visit with her. This was in 1937, I am sure. Jim passed away in 1945 and we had always planned to come to Illinois again, but never got to it as the war came on so soon. We visited one night with Grace (Hill) Davis and Maude (Hill) Fisher. We also visited with Ross Hill and his family and had a wonderful time. Another of the Hill girls was ill and we learned later, she passed away the next year. Jim was always sorry we didn't take time to go there and visit a little while. I wish I could drop in on you for a visit and talk of the family instead of writing, but I'm a little too far away. I understand Jim's mother and father, Ann (Gowin) and Basil Hill moved to Neb., when Jim was only a small child. There his father died or they had moved over to Missouri, and Basil died there, leaving Ann (Gowin)

Hill with four small children. Clifton, Orie, Winnie and Jim. They moved then to Litchfield, Neb., to be close to Ann (Gowin) Hill's brother, Enoch Gowin, where the family grew up. When Jim was 13 years old he and a friend named Ingleman, were out hunting and Jim shot at a hawk. When he pulled the trigger the gun exploded in his hand. It mangled the right arm and hand terribly and he had to walk three miles to get home. Then they had to harness a team and drive two miles to get a Dr. The loss of blood and shock was bad. They had to operate and remove the hand and part of the arm. Jim was a wonderful person and everyone loved him. You wrote me that from an old picture of your mother's, I appear to be red-headed and freckled. Not so. My hair was brown and I have blue eyes.

James Enoch Hill was b. at Loxa, Ill., near Mattoon,, Ill., May 1, 1880, d. April 5, 1945 at the age of 64 years, 11 months. He was married on Dec. 12, 1909 in Yamhill Co., at Amity, Oregon, in the Methodist parsonage with Edd and Orie (Hill) Ferguson as attendants, to Linnie Ethel Conlee, b. June 12, 1891. Amity is a small town close to McMinnville, Ore., where I now reside with my second husband, George Ferguson, who is a nephew to Edd Ferguson."

Children of Enoch and Linnie (Conlee) Hill:

7-1 Veldna Hill, b. Oct. 14, 1910.

7-2 Wilma Hill, b. Dec. 14, 1915.

7-1 Veldna Hill, b. Oct. 14, 1910, married on May 12, 1933 to Ben Randy, at Vancouver, Wah. Veldna and Ben have two sons, born inPortland, Ore. Veldna is a graduate of a school of Beauty Culture, and has maintained a shop for years until of recent date. She is now a housewife.

Children:

8-1 John Hill Randy, b. June 12, 1940.

8-2 James Richard Randy, b. Nov. 25, 1943. James is extremely talented in music, and John is a natural born salesman as was his grandpa, James Hill.

7-2 Wilma Hill, b. Dec. 14, 1915, married Richard Hampton on July 26, 1947, at Weiser, Idaho. Wilma is a graduate of the Portland, Oregon High School and a graduate of the Benke-Walker Business College. She is an executive at present with the Tacoma, Wash., United Biscuit Co. Mr. Hampton is an ex G.I., and employed in Hydraulics at the Tacoma, Wash., Air Base. They live by a lake near Tacoma, Wash., which has excellent boating, swimming, etc., close at hand. They have no children.

Ann(Gowin) Hill was married a second time to a Mr.Sylvester Dean ca 1893 and lived west of Litchfield,Neb. In 1885 after the death of Basil Hill at Advance,Mo., Enoch Gowin wrote his sister to come to Neb. It was about this time the Burlington R.R. was pushing up the valley and the town of Litchfield was being platted and built. Ann opened a restaurant in almost the first building erected in the new town by Enoch Gowin.

5-3 Jesse Hill, son of Levi and Elizabeth(Wright)Hill, b.1847. Married Jane Kimsey(or Kimsic, father says) b. Nov. 16,1853, died Aug.23,1891. Jesse and Jane Hill had three daughters noted for their great beauty, but comsumption destroyed this family, the parents and two daughters. One daughter, Effie, and her father, Jesse Hill died ca 1890. Bertha Hill died ca 1896. Burial at Old Gordon graveyard Coles Co., Illinois. No stones.

5-4 Susan Hill, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth (Wright) Hill, b. 1852,d. Feb.17,1882. Susan was called "Lovely little blackeyed Susan Hill." She married Whig Easton. Susan died at the age of 30 years, at the birth of her fifth child.
Children:
6-1 Oscar Easton,married Minnie Blevens. One son,Oscar,deceased.
6-2 Clem Easton, married Bertha ------. One child Elmer, who married and lives in Chicago. No children.
6-3 Minnie Easton , married ----Smits of Reno, Nev. No children.
6-4 Laura Easton,married N. Claybaugh;five children.
Children:
7-1 Irene Claybaugh,married Burl Suitz. One child, Burl, Jr.
7-2 Bertha Claybaugh, married Ed --------
7-3 Ralph Claybaugh, married and has two children.
7-4 Olive Claybaugh, married Harlo Boyd. Three children. Eloise, Duane and one other.
7-5 Owen Claybaugh, married Margaret Phipps.No children. Owen deceased.

6-5 Francis Marion Easton, called Frank, b. July 7,1880, d.Apr. 15, 1942. He married Cora Evelyn Davis, b. Oct.14,1883. The Easton family moved to Mattoon, Ill., many years ago and Eva (Davis) Easton resides at 808 Lafayette Ave., Mattoon, Ill.
Children:
7-1 Dolores Margaret Easton, b.Mar.4,1903.
7-2 Carrie Susan Easton, b. May 10,1904, d. Aug. 1904.
7-3 Adolphus Easton, b. May 25, 1906.
7-4 Helen May Easton, b. July 25, 1908.
7-5 Bertha Leone Easton, b. Feb. 26, 1911.
7-6 Woodrow Lucius Easton, b. Dec. 25, 1912.
7-7 Ruth Irene Easton ,b. Mar. 7, 1915.
7-8 Fred M. Easton, b. Feb. 11, 1917.
7-9 Hugh Marion Easton, b. Feb. 7, 1920.
7-10 Robert Lee Easton,born Nov.27,1921, killed in action in World War II, on July 10, 1944.
7-11 Thomas Alan Easton, b. Oct. 15,1924,d, Jan. 6, 1955.

7-1 Dolores Margaret Easton, b. Mar. 4, 1903, married Ralph Adams and live in Minneapolis, Minn., they have one son, Robert Adams, living in Minneapolis.

7-3 Adolphus Easton, b. May 25, 1906. Married Eulalah Michaels, b. Jan. 20, 1907, daughter of Andrew and Della (Croy) Michaels of Janesville, Ill. They live at 808 Lafayette Ave., Mattoon, Ill.
Children:

8-1 Jerry Kathleen Easton, b. Apr. 7, 1927. Married in 1946 to Vere Foster, b. Nov. 19, 1924. Jerry is employed by Bergner's Dep't., store in Mattoon. Mr. Foster by Earl Ross, Clothier. No children.

8-2 Paul Duane Easton,b. Sept. 28, 1932. Paul is a graduate of the Matoon high school. He is a veteran of the Marine Corps where he served three years. He was recently returned from Korea.

7-4 Helen May Easton, b. July 25, 1908, married to Ferrell Rennels, of near Janesville, Ill. They live in Arizona. Three children, Marion, Jack and Esther Rennels.

7-5 Bertha Leone Easton, b. Feb. 26, 1911, married Lynn Hill of near Lerna, Ill. They have three children: Betty, Marjorie and Lyle Hill. They are members of the Church of Christ of Coffeeville, Ill.

7-6 Woodrow Lucius Easton, b. Dec. 25, 1912. Married Jessie Wilson. Three children: Dorothy, Don and Dolores Easton.

7-7 Ruth Irene Easton, b. Mar. 7, 1915, married --- Mihalko.

7-8 Fred M. Easton, b. Feb. 11, 1917, married Marjorie Akers, of Mattoon, Ill. One child, Ricky Easton.

7-9 Hugh Marion Easton, b. Feb. 7, 1920, married Hazel Horn. One child: Judith Easton.

7-11 Thomas Easton, b. Oct. 15, 1924, d. Jan. 6, 1955 in a Veteran's Hospital in Indianapolis, Ind. He was a Paratrooper during World War II and was stationed in the South Pacific. He was married to Fern Leathers, a daughter of Roland and Blanche Leathers of Mattoon, Ill. Fern and her two sons, Robert and Steven Easton, live in Mattoon.

5-6 John T. Hill, son of Levi and Elizabeth (Wright) Hill, b. Oct. 1856, d. Apr. 12, 1931. Married Florence Louisa Oldham, b. Aug. 27, 1859, d. July 1, 1927. John and Florence lived all their married life on their farm about one mile south of Webster school in Cumberland Co. They had six children. John and Florence Hill are buried at Shiloh cemetery in Coles County, Illinois.
Children:

6-1 Walter Levi Hill, b. Aug. 17, 1883, d. Sept. 1934.
6-2 Leota Maude Hill, b. Oct. 23, 1886.
6-3 Sadie Hill, b. Dec. 25, 1889, d. Nov. 20, 1939.
6-4 Grace Hill, b. Sept. 11, 1892.
6-5 Belva Hill, b. Mar. 24, 1895, d. Dec. 10, 1929.
6-6 Arthur Hill, b. Nov. 2, 1897.

6-1 Walter Levi Hill, son of John and Florence (Oldham) Hill, b. Aug. 17, 1883. d. Sept. 1934. Married Bessie Kunkler.
Children:
7-1 Claudia Secord, b. June, 1911.
7-2 Clarence Hill, b. Oct. 24, 1914.
7-3 Betty Hill, b. July, 1920.

6-2 Leota Maude Hill, daughter of John and Florence (Oldham) Hill, b. Oct. 23, 1886, married on Mar. 20, 1908 to James Fisher of Ridgefarm, Ill. James deceased Jan. 1947. Burial place, Shiloh cemetery in Coles Co., Ill.
Child:
7-1 Arthur Fisher, b. Dec. 31, 1908.

6-3 Sadie Hill, daughter of John and Florence (Oldham) Hill, b. Dec. 25, 1889, married Oct. 14, 1920 to Owen Clossen of near Diona, Ill. Owen is a farmer and lives on the old John Hill home place. No children. Sadie d. Nov. 20, 1939.

6-4 Grace Hill, daughter of John and Florence (Oldham) Hill, b. Sept. 11, 1892. Married Sept. 20, 1911 to Arthur Davis, of Charleston, Ill., where they reside on Polk St.
Children:
7-1 Eugene Davis, b. Dec. 23, 1912.
7-2 Florence Davis, b. Jan. 5, 1919,
7-3 Lloyd Davis, b. July 24, 1921, killed near Naples, Italy on Mar. 24, 1945, near the end of World War II.

6-5 Belva Hill, daughter of John and Florence (Oldham) Hill, b. Mar. 24, 1895, d. Dec. 10, 1929. Married in 1919 to George Bryant.
Children:
7-1 Ruby Bryant, married Ray Dobbs, Gary, Ind., has children.
7-2 Inez Bryant, married. Lives at Evansville, Ind.
7-3 Georgia Bryant, married. Lives at Oakland, Ill.

6-6 Arthur Hill, son of John and Florence (Oldham) Hill, b. Nov. 2, 1897, married Josephine Crimm, of Charleston, Ill. Children:
7-1 James Hill, b. July 1920, killed in a plane collision in World War II, in Nov. 1943.
7-2 Jack Hill.
7-3 Patty Hill, twin of Jack, b. 1923. This family live in Seminole, Oklahoma. Little information.

5-7 Douglas Hill, called "Cub", son of Levi and Elizabeth (Wright) Hill, b. May 8, 1859, d. Mar. 26, 1931. Married Nannie Hedden born Apr. 16, 1865. d. 1947. Douglas and Nannie lived most of their lives on the Levi Hill farm except for the years spent in Charleston, Ill., while the boys attended school. Douglas and Nannie are buried at the New Gordon cemetery near Janesville, Ill.
The Hedden family came from Vincennes, Ind., on the Wabash river, Mrs. Ollie (Hedden) Hutton of near Bradbury, Ill., tells me: "My father, Beniah Hedden, son of John and Mary Catherine (Sprott) Hedden was the eldest of six children. Nannie Hedden, the youngest, married Douglas Hill, of near Webster school. The Hedden children were all born in Ind., except Nannie, as my father told repeatedly about the terrible climate in the damp Wabash country, and never once in their years there, did they escape the chills and fevers and suffered them from October to May, and their entire family died of consumption, except Nannie, born in Ill., and had better health. The children, lived to be grown and married and left children but were never strong and so succumbed to the dreaded plague that seemed to hover like a miasmic vapor over every home. John Hedden is buried at Old Gordon cemetery, I have been told many times, Mary Catherine (Sprott) Hedden was the first person to be buried in the New Gordon cemetery,at Janesville. My father, Beniah, moved when I was five years old to Ellory, Ill., in Wayne Co., in southern Illinois. Once, I remember Uncle Douglas and Aunt Nannie Hill came to visit us. They had stopped in Sumner, Ill., to visit with relatives of the Hills; an Ellsbury Hill, son of Hugh Hill, who was a brother of Levi's father, Basil Hill."
Children of Douglas and Nannie (Hedden) Hill:
6-1 Clara Hill, b. 1881, d. 1892.
6-2 Charles Hill, b. Aug. 12, 1887.
6-3 Ross Hill, b. June 11, 1892.
6-4 Lawrence Hill, b. June 7, 1903.

6-2 Charles Hill, son of Douglas and Nannie (Hedden) Hill, b. Aug. 12, 1887, married in 1917 to Mable Gilman near Lerna, Ill. Charles attended the Charleston Normal School and University of Illinois, where he majored in Chemistry. He was married and went to Fayetteville, Ark., and taught Chemistry two years at the University there. At the close of the second school term Charles received an offer from Westinghouse to go to Pittsburgh, Pa., as a research chemist for their company. An offer which Charles accepted.

He was with them 31 years, retiring last Aug. 12, 1954. On his 67th birthday. Their daughter met her husband, Joe, also a chemist, in Pittsburgh, and they now live in South Carolina. Mable(Gilman) Hill had a sister, Ann, whose daughter, Marjorie was the same age of their daughter, Margaret. They took Marjorie into their home and raised the two girls together, educated them, and saw Marjorie married and in a home of her own.
Child of Charles and Mable (Gilman) Hill:

7-1 Margaret Hill, daughter of Charles and Mable Hill, b. Mar. 1919. Married Joseph Cripple. They live in Aikens, South Carolina.
Child:
8-1 Gregory, son of Margaret and Joe, b. 1952.

6-3 Ross Hill, son of Douglas and Nannie (Hedden) Hill, b. June 11, 1892. Married on Feb. 14, 1914 to Nettie Hanley. Ross lives on and owns the old Levi Hill farm bought in 1853 and is a prosperous farmer.
Children:
7-1 Cleo Hill, b. 1915.
7-2 Mary June Hill, b. 1919.
7-3 Esther Irene Hill, b. Dec. 12, 1921.
7-4 Harold Hill, b. Nov. 28, 1926.

7-1 Cleo Hill, son of Ross and Nettie (Hanley) Hill, b. 1915. Married 1934 to Roberta Whitten from whom he is divorced. Cleo is employed as parking lot attendant and lives in Dayton, Ohio.
Child:
8-1 Betty Jo Hill, b. 1937.

7-2 Mary June Hill, b. 1919, married in 1936 to Albert Orr of Janesville, Ill. Mr. Orr is with a trucking firm; Mary June is employed by General Motors and lives in Wayne, Mich.
Children:
8-1 Melvin Orr, b. Sept. 17, 1936.
8-2 Ronald Orr, b. Jan. 15, 1938.
8-3 Joseph Orr, b. Mar. 28, 1940.

7-3 Esther Irene Hill, b. Dec. 12, 1921, married to Ray Gibbs, in 1938. They reside in Garden City, Mich., where they are employees of the General Motors Corp.
Children:
8-1 Anna Gibbs, b. Nov. 1939.
8-2 Robert Gibbs, b. Dec. 23, 1940.
8-3 Ruby Irene Gibbs, b. July 7, 1942.
8-4 Beverly Jo Gibbs, b. Nov. 28, 1945.

7-4 Harold Hill, son of Ross and Nettie (Hanley) Hill, b. Nov. 28, 1926, married in 1947 to Eunice Black. Harold Hill lives in Frankfort, Indiana, where he is employed in the Car Shops of the Nickle Plate Railroad.
Child:
8-1 Beverly Jo Hill, b. June 9, 1949.

6-4 Lawrence Hill, son of Douglas and Nannie (Hedden) Hill, b. June 7, 1903, married in Aug. 1928 to Dorothy Whitacre, b. Feb. 2, 1905 of near Janesville, Illinois, a daughter of Finnie and Musa (Grafton) Whitacre.
Children:
7-1 Robert Hill, b. Sept. 4, 1932.
7-2 Charles Hill, b. Mar. 7, 1939.

Compiled from the Bible of James and Tabitha (Wright) Hill.

4-5 Tabitha Wright, daughter of Jesse W. and SuSanna Wright, b. Dec. 3, 1827, d. Dec. 13, 1891. She was married to James Hill, Dec. 21, 1843 in Monroe Co., Ind. James Hill, son of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, b. Monroe Co., Ind., Nov. 29, 1822, d. Mar. 11, 1877. Both are buried in Wright cemetery in Coles Co., Ill. James Hill was a farmer and came to Johnstown, Cumberland Co., Ill., in Nov. 1852. He first purchased land, 80 acres, one and three fourth miles south of Johnstown on the prairie, entering the land from the Government on Feb. 25, 1853, the E½ of SE¼ of Sec. 3, t. 10, R. 8, E 3rd P.M. He sold this land on May 28, 1865. On Jan. 5, 1854 James Hill purchased land ca fourth mile south of the village of Johnstown, Cumberland Co., Ill., and built his first house spoken of, as the first frame house in this community of the W½ NW¼ NW¼ of Sec. 35, t. 11, R 8, E, 3rd P.M. James and Tabitha lived the rest of their lives in this house, as did their son, Lewis Hill. Tabitha had two children born in Ind., three born in Cumberland Co., Illinois.
Children:
5-1 Sarah Emily Hill, b. Mar. 21, 1845, d. June 16, 1847.
5-2 Lewis Marion Hill, b. June 21, 1848, d. Oct. 3, 1922.
5-3 Mary Alice Hill, b. Dec. 21, 1852, d. Oct. 28, 1926.
5-4 Charity Blanche Hill, b. June 23, 1858, d. Jan. 12, 1882.
5-5 Luzon Elizabeth Hill, b. Oct. 2, 1862, d. Mar. 29, 1867.

5-2 Lewis Marion Hill, son of James and Tabitha (Wright) Hill, b. in Fairfax, Monroe Co., Ind., June 21, 1848. The village of Fairfax is no more, but is now known as a covered bridge across Salt Creek, near Smithville, Ind., plus two houses, in the year of 1955, 107 years after Lewis' advent into the world.
Lewis Hill, married Alice Josephine Gowin, born on March 26, 1854 in Davie Co., North Carolina. They were married in 1873. Lewis had purchased the license and with Alice had gone to the J.P's house to be married. When they asked his whereabouts, the J.P's wife pointed to the timber and said: "There---cuttin' wood." The young couple walked to the scene of the labor and there the Justice read the marriage service over them, the church walls the softly, moving green of the timber trees, the roof, a canopy of changing green and blue shadow of tree and sky. Lewis and Alice (Gowin) Hill are buried at Wright cemetery near Johnstown, Ill., in Coles Co. They attended the Baptist and Christian church. Lewis was a J.P., for over 30 years and married many couples and some hilarious tales are told of his devious ways and management. A few times he held hearings in his home in his capacity of J.P. He was a member of the Johnstown or Clear Creek IOOF Lodge since ca 1883. # 712. A good bit of Lewis Hill's pathway was over stony ways. His wife died at the age of 28, leaving four small children. Lewis and his mother, Tabitha, raised the children. He did not re-marry.

Children:

6-1 Arlena "Lena" Hill, b. Jan. 19, 1874, d. May 4, 1940.
6-2 Angeline "Angie" Hill, b. July 5, 1875, d. June 7, 1925.
6-3 Ovie Hill, b. May 2, 1878.
6-4 Morton Hill, b. 1880, d. 1881.
6-5 Alice Hill, b. Apr. 1, 1882, d. Feb. 3, 1951.

6-1 Arlena "Lena" Hill, daughter of Lewis and Alice (Gowin) Hill, b. Jan. 19, 1874, near Johnstown, Ill., d. May 4, 1940. On July 13, 1893 Lena was married to Elijah Taylor Landrus, b. Oct. 13, 1866, near Johnstown, Ill., a son of Samuel and Nancy (West) Landrus. Lena attended the Johnstown school and the Normal school for teachers at Toledo, Ill., and was issued a teacher's certificate at the age of 18 years. In contacting so many in collecting my data I have met with any number of folks who tell me they went to school to my mother. Lena is buried beside a daughter, Orma, at the Beals cemetery near Trilla, Ill., Coles Co. She was a member of the Christian church at Johnstown, later transferring to the Baptist church. Taylor was a carpenter and cabinet maker. At the age of 84 years he was still plying his trade and built the cabinets and sectional bookcases installed in his daughter Freda's, new home at Johnstown, Ill.

Children of Arlena (Hill) and Taylor Landrus:
1-2-3-6-, b. Coles Co., Ill. The rest b. in Cumberland, County.

7-1 Alsey Leland Landrus, b. Oct. 6, 1894.
7-2 Homer Fredrick Landrus, b. Aug. 11, 1896, d. Sept. 26, 1897.
7-3 Forest Harmon Landrus, b. Dec. 7, 1897, d. Dec. 16, 1928.
7-4 Olive Irene Landrus, b. Nov. 30, 1899, d. Aug. 1, 1929.
7-5 Orma Violet Landrus, b. Sept. 23, 1901, d. May 19, 1917.
7-6 Freda Ruth Landrus, b. Aug. 15, 1903.
7-7 Leatha Gay Landrus, b. Apr. 13, 1905. d. Apr. 15, 1905.
7-8 Wreatha May Landrus, b. Apr. 13, 1905. Twin of Leatha.
7-9 Gilbert LeRoy Landrus, b. Apr. 9, 1907.
7-10 Jesse Morton Landrus, b. Feb. 10, 1909.

7-1 Alsey Leland Landrus, son of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. Oct. 6, 1894. Married Sept. 21, 1915 to Rosa Lake, b. Jan. 21, 1897. Alsey has been with the old Clover Leaf R.R. (re-named Nickle Plate in later years), since early 1920's. He and his family live at Edwardsville, Ill. Little information available on this family.

Children:
8-1 Carl Eugene Landrus, b. July 21, 1917.
8-2 Helen Marie Landrus, b. Feb. 10, 1919.
8-3 Dorse Paul Landrus, b. Mar. 20, 1921. Single.
8-4 Hazel Ruth Landrus, b. Oct. 19, 1923.

8-1 Carl Eugene Landrus, b. July 21, 1917. Married Tillie Evans of Glen Carbon, Ill.
Children:
9-1 Janet Landrus, b. Aug. 9, 1939.
9-2 Denise Landrus.

8-2 Helen Marie Landrus, b. Feb. 10, 1919. Married Elwood Barth of Edwardsville, Ill.
Children:
9-1 Larry Barth.
9-2 Lynn Barth.

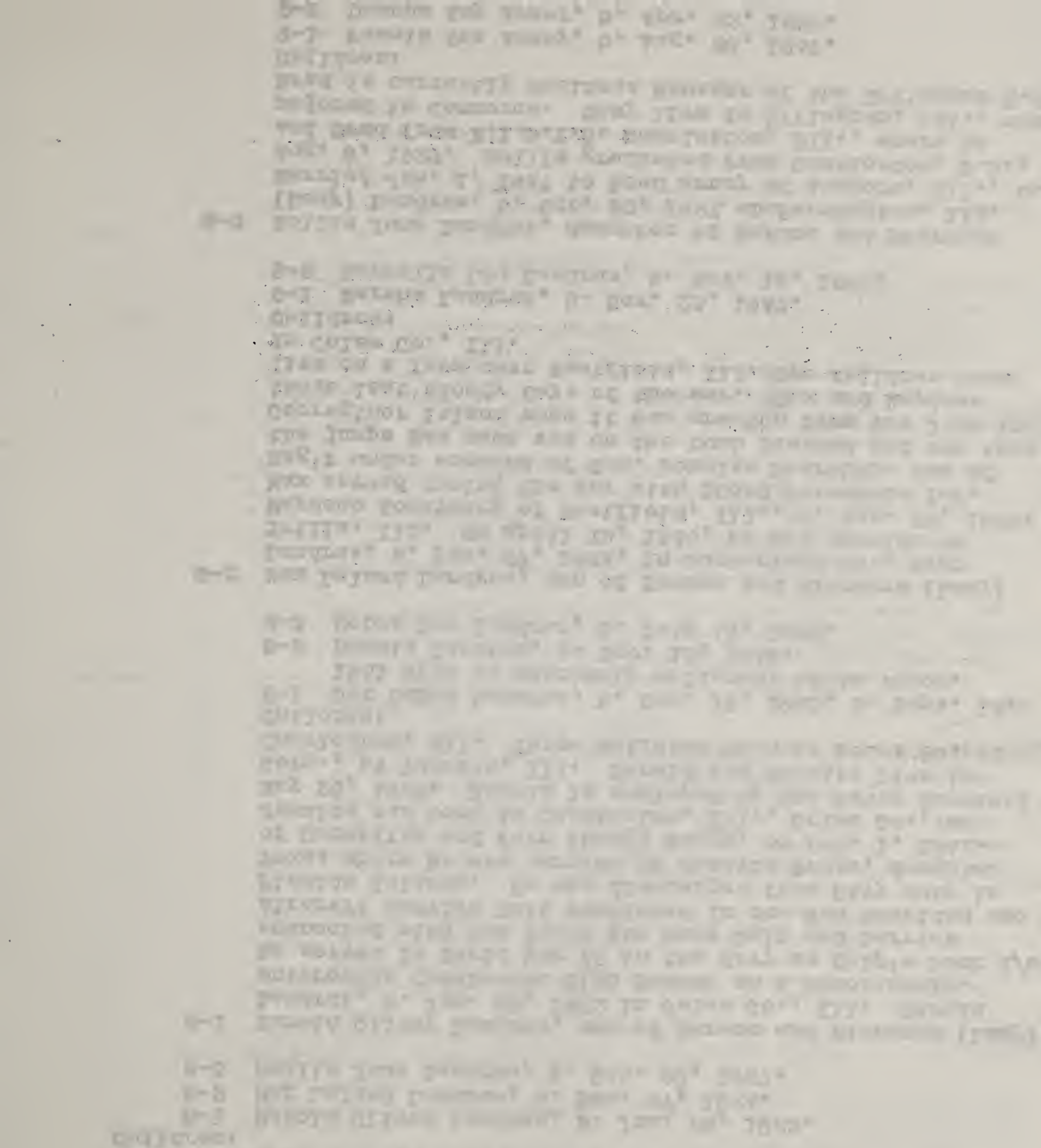
8-4 Hazel Ruth Landrus, b. Oct. 19, 1923, married Jack Bohensteel of Edwardsville, Ill.
Children:
9-1 David Bohensteel.
9-2 Danny Bohensteel.

7-3 Forest Harmon Landrus, son of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. Dec. 17, 1897, d. Dec. 16, 1928, in a Veteran's Hospital in Tuscon, Ariz., where he had gone for benefit of his health. On Jan. 20, 1921 Harmon married Florence Lacy, of Farmington, Ill., b. Jan. 6, 1904. They belong to the Church of Christ of Coffeeville, Ill. Harmon and a small grandson, "Micky", sleep in Shiloh cemetery, near Farmington, Ill., Coles Co. Harmon was a farmer and machine operator, and was quite successful until his health failed, having suffered an attack of flu in 1918 that almost took his life, and impaired future health.
Children:
8-1 Harold Oliver Landrus, b. Jan. 28, 1922.
8-2 Max Leland Landrus, b. Feb. 27, 1924.
8-3 Hollis June Landrus, b. Oct. 20, 1927.

8-1 Harold Oliver Landrus, son of Harmon and Florence (Lacy) Landrus, b. Jan. 28, 1922 in Coles Co., Ill. Harold enteredthe Charleston High School on a Scholarship. He served in World War II in the Navy as Ship's Cook 1/c connected with the Fleet Air Base Unit and Carrier Aircraft Service Unit stationed in the New Hebrides and Florida Islands. He was discharged from Navy duty in Texas where he was married to Juanita Fudge, daughter of Cornelius and Fern (Lang) Fudge, on Feb. 1, 1945. Juanita was born in Charleston, Ill., Coles Co., on May 26, 1925. Harold is employed by the Petro Chemical Corp., at Tuscola, Ill. Harold and Juanita live in Charleston, Ill. Three children born in Coles Co.
Children:
9-1 Max LaRae Landrus, b. Dec. 17, 1945, d. Sept. 13, 1951 with an extremely malignant brain tumor.
9-2 Dennis Landrus, b. Nov. 15, 1946.
9-3 Debra Sue Landrus, b. July 14, 1954.

8-2 Max Leland Landrus, son of Harmon and Florence (Lacy) Landrus, b. Feb. 27, 1924, in Cumberland Co., near Trilla, Ill. On April 18, 1946, he was married to Maydene Soderberg of Westfield, Ill., b. Mar. 22, 1929. Max served during the war with 503rd Parachute Inf. Reg't under command of Gen. Douglas McArthur. One of the jumps Max made was on the bomb blasted and war torn Corregidor Island when it was wrested from the Japs in those last bloody days of the war. Max and Maydene live on a farm near Westfield, Ill. Two children born in Coles Co., Ill.
Children:
9-1 Marsha Landrus, b. Nov. 23, 1947.
9-2 Marcella Lou Landrus, b. Nov. 16, 1954.

8-3 Hollis June Landrus, daughter of Harmon and Florence (Lacy) Landrus, b. Oct. 20, 1927 at Farmington, Ill. Married Jan. 1, 1947 to Brad Arney of Ashmore, Ill., b. Aug. 9, 1927. Hollis graduated from Charleston, H.S., and Brad from E.I.S.T.C. Charleston, Ill., where he majored in Commerce. They live in Effingham, Ill., where Brad is currently Business Manager of the Effingham H.S.
Children:
9-1 Pamela Sue Arney, b. Aug. 28, 1949.
9-2 Deanna Kay Arney, b. Apr. 22, 1952.



7-4 Olive Irene Landrus, daughter of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. Nov. 30, 1899, d. Aug. 1, 1929. On Dec. 20, 1920, Olive was married to Clifford Hopkins of Charleston, Ill., b. Feb. 1, 1896, d. Dec. 5, 1934. They were members of the Baptist church of Hindsboro, Ill., and are buried at Van Vorhees cemetery near Hindsboro. Olive entered Eastern Illinois State Normal school at Charleston, Ill, now called E.I.S.T.C., on a scholarship about 1918, and meant to have a teaching career. She started her first school in Sept. 1918 and in Nov., was caught in the flu epidemic as were millions of others and almost lost her life. Impairment to her health was such she was never able to teach again.
Children:

8-1 Rosie Ellen Hopkins, b. Oct. 21, 1921, d. Jan. 18, 1925 of Meningitis of the brain.
8-2 Glenna Mae Hopkins, b. May 10, 1926.
8-3 Bonny Irene Hopkins, b. July 30, 1929.
8-4 Dale Eugene Hopkins, b. July 30, 1929. Twin of Bonny. These babies were born prematurely. Died Mar. 3, 1931, of pneumonia. One of these babies weighed about one and three fourths to two pounds at birth, the other about two and half pounds and survived without aid of hospital or incubator care through the care of them by Clive's cousin, Duronda Frank, who was in nurses training in Chicago and chanced to be home on vacation at the time. Olive passed away suddenly on the second day after the twins birth.

8-2 Glenna Mae Hopkins, b. May 10, 1926. On July 24, 1944 in Douglas Co., married James McLane, of Arcola, Ill., where they reside. James b. Apr. 19, 1925. James is an employee of the Petro Chemical Plant of Tuscola, Ill., and is also a painter. He served in the Armed forces overseas in World War II. Glenna Mae is a member of the First Baptist church, and James is a member of the Catholic church of Arcola. Two sons born in Douglas Co., Ill.
Children:
9-1 Paul Richard McLane, b. June 13, 1947.
9-2 Kenneth James McLane, b. Sept. 23, 1949.
9-3 Dale Francis McLane, b. Oct. 26, 1955.

8-3 Bonny Irene Hopkins, b. July 30, 1929. She was married to Harold Sisk of Arcola, Ill., in Douglas Co., on Feb. 13, 1947. Harold is employed by Telegraph R.R. Service. He was born Mar. 13, 1929. They have three sons. They are members of the Church of Christ of Kemp, Ill., where a brother of Mr. Sisk is pastor.
Children:
9-1 Philip Sisk, b. Dec. 23, 1949. Douglas Co., Ill.
9-2 Timothy Lee Sisk, b. June 23, 1952. Coles Co., Ill.
9-3 Thomas Lynn Sisk, b. June 23, 1952. Non- identical twin of Timothy.
9-4 Expected in December, 1955.
Barbara Jean Sisk arrived Jan. 3,1956.

After the death of Olive (Landrus) Hopkins, Clifford was married on Mar. 18, 1931 to Ruth Paddock in Vigo Co., Ind. Ruth was born on Mar. 6, 1906; and is a teacher in the Indiana Consolidated Schools. Clifford was operator of a monument works. Ruth lives at Terre Haute on R. 3 and is re-married. Child of Clifford and Ruth (Paddock) Hopkins:

8-5 Roma Hopkins, b. Oct. 26, 1933 and was married to Herbert Wardle on July 11, 1953 in Vigo Co., Ind. Herbert was born Sept. 11, 1933. They live in West Terre Haute where Herbert is engaged with his father in operating a truck transfer business.
Child:
9-1 Debrora Denise Wardle, b. July 27, 1954.

7-5 Orma Violet Landrus, daughter of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. Sept. 23, 1901, d. May 19, 1917. Orma suffered the dread ailment of Anemia from the age of two years. She attended the school at Johnstown and at her death, six of her school-mates were asked to be her casket bearers on Sunday May 20, 1917, and she was laid to rest in Beals cemetery near Trilla, Ill. The school-mates were: The Misses Beulah Connell, Lillie Greeson, Roma Greeson, Flossie Thornton, Lennie Beals and Lucille Zike, all of Johnstown, Illinois.

7-6 Freda Ruth Landrus, daughter of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. Aug. 15, 1903, and writer of this family history, was born at the famous Coles Co., Mineral Springs on a Saturday at high noon. Married on Oct. 18, 1924 to Glen Misenhimer of Mattoon, Ill., a son of Oscar Oliver "Bus" and Elizabeth (Mattox) Misenhimer. Glen was born Oct. 25, 1900. They own and live on the old James and Tabitha (Wright) Hill farm one fourth mile south of Johnstown, where Freda raises and sells shrubs and flowers. Two children born in Coles Co., Illinois.
Children:

8-1 Gene Holly Misenhimer, b. July 5, 1925.
8-2 Hilda Ruth Misenhimer, b. Aug. 27, 1926.

8-1 Gene Holly Misenhimer, b. July 5, 1925 at 2620 Moultrie Ave., Mattoon, Ill. Gene has attended the Decatur, Indian and Johnstown grade schools and two years of high school at Lerna, Ill. He was married on June 30, 1951 to Elizabeth Jeanette "Betty" Horn, a daughter of Lewis J. and Emma (Owens) Horn, of near Dalton, Wis. Betty was born Apr. 25, 1926. They live at 4325 Olive St., Racine, Wis., where Gene is employed by Massey-Harris and Betty is an accountant in the payroll Dep't., of the Racine Power and Light Co. Gene is a member of the Clear Creek Lodge No. 712, Order of IOOF and a member of the Johnstown Baptist church. Betty is a member of the Dalton Congregational church. No children.

8-2 Hilda Ruth Misenhimer, b. Aug. 27, 1926 at 2620 Moultrie Ave., Mattoon, Ill., and attended Indian and Johnstown grade schools. Graduated from Lerna High School in May 1944. She moved to Decatur, Ill., to become a member of the staff of Flint-Eaton Pharmacuetical Laboratories of Decatur. On Mar. 14, 1949, married to Harold William Turner of Decatur, Ill., b. Mar. 16, 1925. Bill is a son of Harold and Wilma (Nein) Turner. Bill had five years service with the Marines during and after World War II. Connected with the Signal Corps. 20th Inf., Div. He was one of the thousands of Marines who took Iwo Jima, and saw the now famous flag raising on Mt. Surbachi. When I asked Bill where he was in this bloody shambles on Iwo Jima, he said, "I was with the group that slugged right up through the middle of the Island, from south to north. I was with the Signal Corps." After Bill's discharge in 1946, he was in the Marine Reserves. He was recalled into Active Service in Sept. 1950, where he served as an Instructor for several months at Parris Island, S.C. Later he was sent to Camp LeJuene, N.C., where he received his discharge Sept. 3, 1951. Bill is now employed by the Illinois Bell Telephone Co., of Decatur, Ill. They reside at 1365 Walnut Grove St., Decatur, where they own property and are members of the First Christian church. One son, one daughter.
Children:
9-1 Steven Glen Turner, b. Apr. 21, 1950.
9-2 Leslie Clair Turner, b. Aug. 6, 1952.

7-8 Wreatha May Landrus, twin daughter of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. in Cumberland Co., Ill., Apr. 13, 1905. Married Hersey Eaton at Charleston, Ill, Aug. 29, 1925. Hersey was born in Cumberland Co., May 2, 1902. They moved to Sturtevant, Wis., in Feb. 1929, where Hersey has been with the Nash Motor Car Industry or now called the American Motor Corp. Their two children were born in Coles Co., Ill., and have attended Racine, Wis., grade and high schools.
Children:
8-1 Mary Lee Eaton, b. Apr. 22, 1926.
8-2 Leslie Wayne Eaton, b. May 20, 1928.

8-1 Mary Lee Eaton, b. Apr. 22, 1926. Married on Mar. 5, 1949 to Robert McFarland of Mattoon, Ill., at Dubuque, Iowa. Robert was b. Sept. 22, 1922 and served four years with the Inf., in World War II. He is employed by Purvis-Ford Co., of Mattoon, Ill., as a mechanic. Three children born in Mattoon Memorial Hospital, Coles Co., Ill
Children:
9-1 Linda Kaye McFarland, b. Oct. 8, 1949.
9-2 Michael Wayne McFarland, b. Mar. 1, 1951.
9-3 Carla Raye McFarland, b. May 10, 1953.

8-2 Leslie Wayne Eaton, son of Hersey and Wreatha (Landrus) Eaton, b. May 20, 1928. Married on Mar. 3, 1950 to Aileen Beth Frande of Sturtevant, Wis., b. June 26, 1930. Leslie served as Sgt., with the Occupation Forces in Japan. Returned home, he attended DeForests Television School at Chicago, Ill., where he studied Electronics and Television. At present they live in Janesville, Wis., where Leslie is connected with the Gibbs Manuf., Co., which produce electronic products.
The Eaton family, including Leslie, Leslie's father, Hersey, and Leslie's uncles are a family gifted in many ways. Some gifted in wood-work, some in art, Leslie has a natural gift of working with wood and a hobby of making bows and arrows, and yearly makes the late Sept., trek into the Neceedah County wild life refuge with the other gifted sportsmen for the month of deer hunting with the bow and arrow.
Children:
9-1 David Edward Eaton, b. July 14, 1951. Racine Co., Wis.
9-2 Ellen Christine Eaton, b. Apr. 21, 1953.
9-3 Daniel James Eaton, b. Sept. 20, 1955.
Ellen and Daniel born in Rock Co., Wis.

7-9 Gilbert LeRoy Landrus, b. Apr. 9, 1907, in Cumberland Co., a son of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, married to Leona Ferguson on June 10, 1939 in Mo. Leona b. Aug. 18, 1909. No children. Gilbert is a farmer and lives on his farm at Coffeen, Ill. Leona is employed by the Litchfield Shoe Co. Gilbert went west with his brother, Harmon, in Sept. 1927, when Harmon thought a change of climate might benefit his health. Gilbert was employed in a garage where in a freak accident a car fell on his index finger of the right hand, crushing it until the bones fell out. It happened in 1928, yet the west was still the west, with no telephones, only telegraph, and the doctor, 50 odd miles away.

7-10 Jesse Morton Landrus, youngest son of Taylor and Lena (Hill) Landrus, b. near Bradbury, Ill., Cumberland Co. Feb. 10, 1909. Single. Jesse served with the 835th Engrs., for three and half years, during World War II, always close to the front lines. He was a Sgt., and in speaking of his travels, he said: "Only a few more miles, as miles go, and I'd have been around the world." It seems trivial to try to record anything any soldier done during this World War II, as so many millions were doing the same things, some more heoric and spectacular, perhaps, if anything done to protect life and limb and country under stress and strain can be called spectacular. But for this record, I will note two incidents, Jesse spoke of. One---the day while busy laying down an airstrip his group beheld a cloud of German parachutists floating down upon them. Against the blue sky, the parachutes much resembled the white covers of the pioneers wagons as Coles Co., poet, George Balch referred to them in his poem: The Pioneers.

"Like schooners floating on the bay---
Their sails, neatly spread---
Whose covers swelling with the breeze,
Appeared like sails upon the sea."

But this was grim war. The men dropped tools, grabbed guns and rushed forth. He didn't speak of any killed, but "my group" captured many German parachutists on that one morning.

The second indident was one that happened and of which we all have read. I remember reading and hearing of this tragedy during the war, little knowing my brother was at this station. It was a vital point of industry these bombers were going to bomb. The plan was made perfect and fool proof apparently by a model city being built and the Air Group briefed until every detail was perfect. No one knew exactly what happened, but was tragedy all the way around. The pilots became confused and choas followed. Bombers came in too low and were bombed in turn by their own group. "Our planes were falling every which way, blasted by our own men." Jesse lives at Madison, Ill., and has been an employee of the Nickle Plate railroad since sixteen years of age, except for the Army years. Jesse is a staunch Democrat.

"Then let the cannon hush it's roar,
The drums beat war alarms no more,
Let swords be sheathed or idly rust,
And ramparts mouler back to dust.
Let mothers quell their rising fears,
And still their hearts and dry their tears;
Until Columbia's land shall ring,
For battle fields no more shall be,
And peace shall flow from sea to sea."

George Balch.

6-2 Angeline "Angie" Hill, daughter of Lewis and Alice (Gowin) Hill, b. July 5, 1875, near Johnstown, Ill., d. June 7, 1925. She was married Oct. 30, 1898 to John Briggerman of near Trilla, Ill., b. Oct. 18, 1872, d. June 19, 1942. John was a well to do and prosperous farmer. They were Democrats and Angie was a member of the early Johnstown Christian church. Also a member of the Trilla Chapter of Royal Neighbors. In later years they attended the Woods Chapel Presbyterian church. John Briggerman, son of Herman and Mary (Hiatt) Briggerman. H. Briggerman was born in Herford, Germany on July 12, 1835. He came to America in 1858 living in St. Louis for seven years. He came then to Cumberland Co., living one mile south and five miles west of Johnstown, Ill., where he lived the remainder of his life and where John took his bride, Angie, who lived all her married life in the large, comfortable farm home. Herman Briggerman was considered a very successful business man and farmer, amassing considerable fortune. He died Mar. 16, 1916. Burial place, Drummonds cemetery, near Neal, Ill. Three sons born to John and Angie. They received their grade school education at the Beehive school, one mile south of their home and now on R. 121.

Children:

7-1 Lloyd Briggerman, b. Aug. 13, 1899. Married on Dec. 22, 1923 to Gladys Plummer of near Johnstown, b. June 23, 1901. They live at 3321 Prairie Ave., Mattoon, Ill. Lloyd is employed by the John Davis Implement Co., of Mattoon. A.C. dealer located on R. 45. No children.

7-2 Hubert Lewis Briggerman, b. July 18, 1907. Married June 9, 1934 in Mason Co., Manito, Ill., to Nellie Wilson of Johnstown, Ill., b. Mar. 11, 1911. Hubert is an employee of the Caterpiller Co., at Peoria, Ill., where they live at 1912 Harvard Ave.

Children:

8-1 Bryan Lee Briggerman, b. Mar. 29, 1937.
8-2 Julia Ann Briggerman, b. July 27, 1940.
8-3 James W. Briggerman, b. July 14, 1942.
8-4 Shelia A. Briggerman, b. Sept. 13, 1951.

7-3 John Leslie Briggerman, b. July 29, 1911. Married on Jan. 21, 1939 in Peoria, Ill., to Waveadell Lois Davis, b. Apr. 18, 1917 in Vermillion Co., Muncie, Ill., a daughter of George and Lola (Plotner) Davis. One son born in Peoria, Ill. Leslie is with the Standard Oil Co. They are members of the Union Congregational church. Leslie is a third degree Mason. They live at 904 E. Forrest Hills, Peoria, Ill.

Child:

8-1 Steven Leslie Briggerman, b. Aug. 21, 1943.

6-3 Ovie Hill, daughter of Lewis and Alice (Gowin) Hill, b. May 2, 1878. On Sept. 20, 1904, married Stephan Douglas Pugh of near Neal, Ill., b. Oct. 31, 1873, d. Feb. 24, 1946. They were members of the Christian church of Mattoon, Ill. The first years of their marriage was spent on the farm about nine miles south of Mattoon, on what is now R. 45. In 1918, they moved to Mattoon, Ill., where they operated a grocery store for 30 years. They had only just retired from business when Mr. Pugh died suddenly of a heart attack. Ovie is a member of the Trilla Chapter of Royal Neighbors. Mr. Pugh was a Mason. Burial place, Drummond cemetery, near Neal, Ill. They had two children born in Cumberland Co., Ill.
Children:

7-1 Dale Eugene Pugh, d. Oct. 5, 1905, age four months.
7-2 Roma Helen Pugh, b. Sept. 30, 1907. Roma attended the old Lambert school, and graduated from the Mattoon high school. She married on April 21, 1929 to Monte Spitz of Mattoon, Ill. They live in Wichita, Kansas, where they are associated with the oil business. No children.

6-5 Alice Hill, daughter of Lewis and Alice Josephine (Gowin) Hill, b. Apr. 1, 1882, d. in Vallejo, Calif., Feb. 3, 1951. On April 5, 1908 was married to Jacob Otterbine Franks, in Jonesboro, Ark. Otto was a native of Fort Wayne, Ind. Born Dec. 15, 1883, d. Sept. 14, 1953, in Gordon, Wis., where he operated a hunting lodge on the St. Croix river. Alice was a member of the old Christian church at Johnstown and a faithful worker in the church at Vallejo, Calif. She taught school for many years and was noted for her accomplishments in public speaking, even as a child at Johnstown, Ill. She was a charter member of the Johnstown Royal Neighbor Lodge at Johnstown. Alice is buried in the Vallejo, Calif., cemetery.
Children:

7-1 Duronda Evelyn Franks, b. Feb. 9, 1909.
7-2 Leora Beatrice Franks, b. Mar. 3, 1910.

7-1 Duronda Evelyn Franks, b. in Fort Wayne, Ind., Feb. 9, 1909. She was a graduate of Neoga H.S., and had two years nurses training at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago. On Mar. 16, 1931 she was married to Joseph L. Gilman in Pasadena, Calif.
Child:
8-1 David Jon Gilman, b. June 1, 1934. Married to Lorine Jordon on Nov. 2, 1954. Lorine was born in July, 1936 in Canada.
Child:
9-1 Bonnie Rene Smith, b. May 4, 1955. David and Lorine live in Lynnwood, Wash., where David is attending the University.

Duronda and Joseph Gilman were divorced. Her second marriage was to Russell Earl Smith, on Apr. 23, 1937.

in Pasadena, Calif. Russell was b. May 8, 1912 near Chicago, Ill. Russell had been called into the Navy in Feb. 1941 and was injured at Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941 when the Japs attacked that base. He was with the Navy until the end of the war. He is now stationed in Japan under Civil Service direction of Marchant Marine Transportation service. Ms and S with a Captain's rating. They take oil to Siam, supplies to Korea, transports the service men's families to all parts of the Orient. Russell's ship had barely cleared the danger point this past winter when the devasting typhoons struck that took so many lives off the coast of Japan. Russell adopted David Jon Gilman and he now uses the name David Jon Smith. Child of Duronda (Franks) and Russell E. Smith:

8-2 James Russell Smith, b. Oct. 30, 1938. Duronda and son James are in Japan with Russell, where Duronda is currantly teaching a class in English.

7-2 Leora Beatrice Franks, b. Bloomington, Ill. Mar. 3, 1910. She married Leo Dunphy in Carson City, Nev., Nov. 4, 1940 Leo was b. Dec. 10, 1900 in Vallejo, Calif. They live in Vallejo, where Leo is an estimator and planner at Mare Island Naval Ship Yard. Leora is employed at the Mare Island Federal Credit Union # 1119, Mare Island, Calif. No children.

Leora graduated from Neoga H.S., and was blessed with a memory equal to her distant cousin, Clement Hill. Long years after high school days, Leora would regale audiences with long poems she learned in high school and grade school. She had a lovely, musical and naturally perfect elocution.

As compiled from Alice (Hill) and James Barger's family Bible, in possession of Emil and Minnie Barger, with the aid of Daisy (Jones) Barger who has gone to much trouble to contact different members of the family and collect information from their own records plus marriage records from county clerk's office at Bloomington, Ind., etc.

5-3 Mary Alice Hill, daughter of James and Tabitha (Wright) Hill, b. Dec. 21, 1852 in Cumberland Co., near Johnstown, Ill., d. Oct. 28, 1926. Cumberland Co., came into being in 1843, barely nine years before Alice's advent into the world. It was a green wilderness and sodden desolate prairie combined where the wolves howled and rattlesnakes coiled and owls and other varmints were a daily menace to be met and conquered.
Alice Hill was endowed with a warm, motherly personality so closely associated with the Wright family. Once my mother wrote on the back of a picture of Alice (Hill) Barger, "Aunt Alice Barger, the only aunt we Hill girls have had for years, in this state. She has been a mother to us, that is why we all love her so much." Alice lived to see many changes come to the county where she was born and lived all her life. She saw the wilderness tamed and cleared, saw the heaving mass of prairie grass yield to the plow, and the sodden land drained. Good schools, new churches and good roads built. On Sept. 25, 1870, Alice Hill married James Washington Barger, b. in Va., on May 31, 1840. d. Dec. 22, 1902. Alice was a member of the Shiloh Presbyterian church, was also an Eastern Star. James Barger was a Mason. Burial place, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill., Coles Co. Alice and James Barger were parents of nine children:

6-1 Ida May Barger, b. Aug. 9, 1871, d. May 8, 1939.
6-2 Elnora Blanche Barger, b. Feb. 6, 1873, d. May 3, 1926.
6-3 George Lewis Barger, b. Dec. 9, 1874, d. Apr. 4, 1944.
6-4 Carrie Tabitha Barger, b. Aug. 5, 1877, d. Dec. 25, 1932.
6-5 Leonard Burton Barger, b. Aug. 1, 1879.
6-6 Norma Lesley Barger, b. July 28, 1881, d. June 2, 1928.
6-7 James Emil Barger, b. Nov. 7, 1889, d. Jan. 3, 1955.
6-8 Matthew Wymer, b. June 25, 1893, d. Apr. 19, 1947.
6-9 Fredrick Hill Barger, b. Mar. 23, 1895.

6-1 Ida May B arger, daughter of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Aug. 9, 1871, d. May 8, 1939. Married on Jan. 1, 1889 to Thompson A. Carwell, a native of Va., d. Feb. 28, 1935. Ida Carwell was a member of the Presbyterian church. Burial place, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill.
Children:

7-1 Lionel Carwell, b. Jan. 5, 1892, d. Jan. 24, 1892. Burial in Haggins cemetery.
7-2 Virginia Carwell, b. Oct. 2, 1893.
7-3 Don Carwell, b. Nov. 23, 1896.
7-4 James Omer Carwell, b. July 29, 1899.

The members of this family seem to be born teachers. Omer was a teacher in rural schools until in the early 1900's when through Civil Service appointment under Gov. Horner of Illinois he was selected as a teacher in Menard Penitentiary in the southwest part of the state, which was an interesting experience for any teacher. He remained here for several years. He is still in the teaching profession and lives at Oakland, Ill.

7-2 Virginia Carwell, b. Oct. 2, 1893, was a school teacher of great repute for over 25 years. Virginia attended the Central Illinois State Normal school at Normal, Ill. Of later years, Virginia served as postmistress at Janesville, Ill. On Jan. 9, 1953, Virginia was married to Rev. Everett Leonard and they now live in Missouri.

7-3 Don Carwell, b. Nov. 23, 1896, married to Inez R. Whitacre on May 11, 1918. Inez d. Aug. 1946. Don is a successful farmer and lives near Greenup, Ill.
Child:

8-1 Bertha Mae Carwell, b. Mar. 9, 1919. Married on Nov. 12, 1936 to Gilbert Bancroft.
Children:

9-1 Richard Fredrick Bancroft, b. July 12, 1937.
9-2 Carolyn Sue Bancroft, b. Feb. 15, 1941.
9-3 Stephen Lee Bancroft, b. Feb. 27, 1943.
9-4 Charles Allen Bancroft, b. May 22, 1947.

7-4 James Omer Carwell, b. July 29, 1899. Married on July 28, 1928 to Lola Marguerite Walker of Mattoon, Ill.
Children:

8-1 Marvin Thomas Carwell, b. June 17, 1929.
8-2 Harold James Carwell, b. Sept. 3, 1930. Single.
8-3 Virginia Alice Carwell, b. July 15, 1932. Single.

8-1 Marvin Thomas Carwell, b. June 17, 1929. and married on Aug. 14, 1954 to Twilla Lee Lawher. Marvin is a graduate of E.I.S.T.C. and is a grade school teacher at Paris, Illinois.

6-2 Elnora Blanche Barger, daughter of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Feb. 6, 1873, d.May 3, 1926. Elnora was married to Robert Lee Best, on Mar. 3, 1895. d. June 9, 1949. Burial place, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill. Children b. in Coles,Co.
Children:

7-1 Edgar Dale Best, b. Apr. 26, 1896.
7-2 Richard Bland Best, b. Feb. 19, 1898.
7-3 Eva Adeline Best, b. Nov. 7, 1899.
7-4 Robert Earl Best, b. Feb. 26, 1902.
7-5 James Virgil Best, b. July 28, 1904.
7-6 Louisa Blanche Best, b. Mar. 10, 1911, d. Feb. 8, 1949.

7-1 Edgar Dale Best, b. Apr. 26, 1896, near Lerna, Ill., married on Nov. 4, 1920 to Belle Trexler, b. Mar. 29, 1900. Dale is a mechanic and lives in Pheonix, Ariz.
Child:
8-1 Mary Kathryn Best, b. Aug. 23, 1921, married on July 21, 1940 to Irving Gordon Thowson, b. Dec. 31, 1920. This family lives in the west close to Mary Kathryn's parents at Pheonix, Ariz.
Children:
9-1 Michael Gordon Thowson, b. Sept. 7, 1945.
9-2 Gregory Dale Thowson, b. June 10, 1951.

7-2 Richard Bland Best, b. Feb. 19, 1898. Married on Aug. 5, 1923 to Olga May Carrell. Bland Best operates the Columbiana Hybrid seed corn farm, affiliated with Funks G. Hybrids. Eldred, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Richard Carrell Best, b. Feb. 10, 1925.
8-2 Robert Lee Best, b. Apr. 7, 1926.
8-3 Mary Alice Best, b. Apr. 1, 1929.
8-4 Martha Ellen Best, b. May 24, 1939. Single.

8-1 Richard Carrell Best, b. Feb. 10, 1925, and married on Nov. 24, 1948 to Louise Fogarty.
Children:
9-1 Marjorie Sue Best, b. Aug. 11, 1949.
9-2 Rebecca Ann Best, b. July 11, 1950.
9-3 Carolyn Marie Best, b. July 11, 1950. Twin of Rebecca.
9-4 Edward Michael Best, b. Dec. 19, 1951.

8-2 Robert Lee Best, b. Apr. 7, 1926. Married on June 19, 1948 to Elizabeth Kirkback.
Children:
9-1 James Franklin Best, b. June 29, 1949.
9-2 Janet Kaye Best, b. Aug. 6, 1951.

8-3 Mary Alice Best, b. Apr. 1, 1929, married Sept. 3, 1949 to William Lee Voiles.
Children:
9-1 Alan Lee Voiles, b. Mar. 16, 1950.
9-2 Daniel Lee Voiles, b. Mar. 21, 1952.

These children all associated with the Bland Best Columbiana Seed Corn farm project.

7-3 Eva Adeline Best, b. Nov. 7, 1899, married to Patrick C. Toomey, b. Jan. 31, 1890, d. Nov. 1941. Burial place, Fenton, Mich. Mr. Toomey was an expert meat cutter and connected with a firm in Howell, Mich., where they lived all their married life. Eva was a graduate of Eastern Ill., Normal school. And is a teacher with Howell, Mich., schools. Her family live near her.
Children:
8-1 Maxine Toomey, b. Mar. 16, 1923.
8-2 Mary Jean Toomey, b. Apr. 9, 1928.
8-3 Margaret Ellen Toomey, b. Apr. 20, 1933. Single.
8-4 Patrick R. Toomey, b. Sept. 1, 1934. Single.
8-5 Robert L. Toomey, b. Mar. 28, 1936. Single.
8-6 Don C. Toomey, b. May 29, 1938. Single.

8-1 Maxine Toomey, b. Mar. 16, 1923. Married on Nov. 10, 1942 to Howard Nicholes Mawrer, b. Aug. 25, 1923.
Children:
9-1 Marcia Kay Mawrer, b. June 21, 1945.
9-2 Carl Franklin Mawrer, b. July 16, 1949.
9-3 Linda Ruth Mawrer, b. June 7, 1951.

8-2 Mary Jean Toomey, b. Apr. 9, 1928. Married on Apr. 7, 1947 to Frank F. Howell, b. May 6, 1928.
Children:
9-1 Sherry Lee Howell, b. Oct. 14, 1948.
9-2 Ronald Lynn Howell, b. Apr. 19, 1951.

7-4 Robert Earl Best, b. Feb. 26, 1902, married on Sept. 30, 1925 to Edith Rutan of Lerna, Ill. Edith deceased Apr. 25, 1930. Earl's second marriage was to Mable (Knight) Jackson, on Oct. 7, 1939. Earl and Mable are living on and operating the Robert and Nora Best farm near Lerna, Ill.
Child:
8-1 Emily Francis Best, b. Feb. 6, 1941.

7-5 James Virgil Best, b. July 28, 1904. Married in Coles Co., to Hazel Maureen Tipton on Feb. 19, 1927. Virgil is a successful farmer near Humboldt, Ill. No children. Since the death of Virgil's sister, Blanche, Hazel and Virgil have taken into their home and hearts the two small children of his sister---Marjorie Ann and Kathryn Sue, where they have a wonderful home and care. They came to live with Virgil and Hazel on Jan. 5, 1949.

7-6 Louisa Blanche Best, b. Mar. 10, 1911, d. Feb. 8, 1949. Burial place, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill. She was married on Dec. 24, 1931 to Melvin J. Gammill of Lerna, Ill., b. June 27, 1909. Blanche graduated from the Lerna, H.S., and was a member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Gammill is a trucker and resides in Charleston, Illinois.

Children of Blanche (Best) and Melvin Gammill:
8-1 Carolyn Lee Gammill, b. July 25, 1932.
8-2 Loretta Ruth Gammill, b. Aug. 31, 1934.
8-3 Melva Elnora Gammill, b. Aug. 16, 1936.
8-4 Paul Wayne Gammill, b. May 25, 1938.
8-5 Marjorie Ann Gammill, b. Mar. 18, 1946.
8-6 Kathryn Sue Gammill, b. Dec. 10, 1947.

8-1 Carolyn Lee Gammill, b. July 25, 1932, was married to Robert Perry of Mattoon, Ill., on May 21, 1950. Divorced and she was then married to Pete Pegg.
Child:
9-1 Jimmy Pegg, b. summer of 1953.

8-2 Loretta Ruth Gammill, b. Aug. 31, 1934 married Mr. Gordon of Charleston, Ill. No children.

8-3 Melva Elnora Gammill, b. Aug. 16, 1936 married to Richard Dare in 1952.
Child:
9-1 Terry Lee Dare, b. Apr. 2, 1953.

6-3 George Lewis Barger, son of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Dec. 9, 1874, d. Apr. 4, 1944. Married in Feb. of 1895 to Lydia Ellen Michaels, who died in 1938. Lew Barger was a successful farmer and stock grower and buyer. He lived all his married life on his farm one half mile northeast of Johnstown, Ill. Burial place, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill.

Children:
7-1 Alvy Dore Barger, b. Sept. 23, 1895, d. Dec. 29, 1949.
7-2 Bessie Fern Barger, b. Oct. 29, 1896, d. May 22, 1943.
7-3 Geneva Salina Barger, b. Aug. 22, 1899, d. Aug. 10, 1945.
7-4 Finis Barger, b. Mar. 7, 1902.
7-5 James Donald Barger, b. Apr. 5, 1910.
7-6 Perry Monroe Barger, b. Apr. 19, 1918.

7-1 Alvy Dore Barger, b. Sept. 23, 1895, d. Dec. 29, 1949. He was married to Nellie Price, on Nov. 15, 1920. Alvy was a war veteran of World War I and suffered a disability from which he never recovered any degree of health. They lived in Lerna, Ill. Nellie (Price) Barger is currently employed in the Lerna bank. Alvy belonged to the Lerna Masons.
Child:
8-1 Mary Martha Barger, b. Apr. 5, 1923 and was married to Gale William Locke on June 1, 1940. Gale is from Lerna, and is employed by the Petro Chem., works at Tuscola, Ill. The family now live at Pesotum, Ill.
Children:
9-1 William Arnold Locke, b. Aug. 15, 1941. d. same day.
9-2 Gail Kaye Locke, g. Feb. 17, 1948.
9-3 Larry Lee Locke, b. Oct. 1949.
9-4 Nancy Sue Locke, b. Feb. 27, 1951.

7-2 Bessie Fern Barger, b. Oct. 29, 1897, d. May 22, 1943. Married to Carl Sparks in Feb. 1915. Divorced, 1928. Bessie's second marriage was to Edward Bloomquist of Mattoon, Ill., in Nov. of 1932. Bessie was a practical nurse of good standing. Mr. Bloomquist was a carpenter. They lived in Mattoon. Burial place, Janesville, Ill.
Children of Bessie (Barger) and Carl Sparks:
8-1 Ellen Irene Sparks, b. Sept. 1, 1916.
8-2 Louise Emmaline Sparks, b. Apr. 9, 1920.
8-3 Lois Kathryn Sparks, b. Mar. 23, 1925.
Child of Edward and Bessie (Barger) Bloomquist:
8-4 Gloria Edwina Bloomquist, b. Mar. 17, 1934.

Louise and Lois Sparks are graduate nurses of Paris and Chicago, Illinois hospitals.

8-1 Ellen Irene Sparks, b. Sept. 1, 1916, married to Michael Kerpin.
Children:
9-1 Michael Kerpin, b. Feb. 20, 1939.
9-2 Dennis Kerpin, b. Feb. 17, 1940.
9-3 Larry Kerpin, b. July 4, 1941.
Ellen and Michael Korpin divorced. Ellen's second marriage was to Merrill Pederson.
Child:
9-4 Carol Ann Pederson, b. Dec. 23, 1949.

8-2 Louise Emmaline Sparks, b. Apr. 9, 1920. Married on Mar. 28, 1942 to George Richard Sloan, b. Nov. 14, 1919. They live in Bloomington, Ill.
Children:
9-1 Jackie Morris Sloan, b. Mar. 9, 1935.
9-2 George David Sloan, b. May 22, 1947.
9-3 Richard Allen Sloan, b. June, 1948.
9-4 Deborah Susan Sloan, b. 1953.

8-3 Lois Kathryn Sparks, b. Mar. 23, 1925, married on Feb. 22, 1951 to Robert Paulin. The Robert Paulins live near Mesa, Ariz.
Child:
9-1 Dora Beth Paulin, b. July 4, 1952.

7-3 Geneva Salina Barger, b. Aug. 22, 1899, d. Aug. 10, 1945, she was married Oct. 21, 1916 to Victor Thompson of Bradbury, Ill. Geneva and Victor were members of the Free Methodist church at Bradbury, Ill. Burial, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill. Victor owns and operates a large farm near the Sulphur Springs, on the Coles -Cumberland county line and is considered a successful business man and manager.
Children:
8-1 Luella Mae Thompson, b. Oct. 19, 1918.
8-2 Rex Barger Thompson, b. Nov. 24, 1920.
8-3 Laura Florene Thompson, b. Jan. 10, 1925. Single,
8-4 Clara Jean Thompson, b. Mar. 17, 1931.
8-5 Joseph Lewis Thompson, b. Jan. 30, 1935. Single.

8-1 Luella Mae Thompson, b. Oct. 19, 1918. Married on May 10, 1941 to Donald Gibbons, who is employed by Marathon Fuel Co. They live in Lerna, Ill.
Child:
9-1 Geneva Kay Gibbons, b. Jan. 19, 1947.

8-2 Rex Barger Thompson, b. Nov. 24, 1920. Married on Jan. 30, 1942 to Juanita Brown. Rex is a farmer, and lives near Lerna, Ill.
Children:
9-1 Roy David Thompson, b. May 17, 1944.
9-2 Sharon Joy Thompson, b. Apr. 9, 1949.

8-4 Clara Jean Thompson, b. Mar. 17, 1931. Married Donald Hallet, b. Aug. 6, 1929. Donald is employed at the Garwood Manuf., plant of Mattoon, and they live near the old Sulphur Springs site, near Ooley school.
Children:
9-1 Stephen Michael Hallet, b. Apr. 1, 1951.
9-2 Debra Lynn Hallet, b. Oct. 21, 1953.
On Sunday a.m., at four, Feb. 13, 1955 the Don Hallets had the misfortune to have their newly remodeled and decorated house totally destroyed by fire, losing all their worldly goods, including cash on hands. A severe blow to this young couple as Mr. Hallet had only recently returned from Korea.

7-4 Finis Barger, b. Mar. 7, 1902, married on Sept. 16, 1922 to Lena Hazel Wheeler of Toledo, Ill., b. May 2, 1901. Finis is a fireman, engineer on the Nickle Plate R.R., and they live in Charleston, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Max Wheeler Barger, b. Mar. 19, 1923.
8-2 Robert Lewis Barger, b. Feb. 25, 1927.
8-3 Richard Leroy Barger, b. Aug. 5, 1932. Single.

8-1 Max Wheeler Barger, b. Mar. 19, 1923, married on May 27, 1949 to Gladys (Smith) Burnham. Max is employed by the Virgil Dodson Surveyor Co., of Mattoon, Ill. Max and family live at Charleston, Ill.
Child:
9-1 Judith Barger, b. Nov. 1951.

8-2 Robert Lewis Barger, b. Feb. 25, 1927, married in Jar 1955 to Thelma Mae Meyers of Charleston, Ill.

7-5 James Donald Barger, b. Apr. 5, 1910. Married July 31, 1933 to Helen Marie Bloomquist, b. June 14, 1915. Don is employed at Garwood Manuf., Co., Mattoon, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Donna Marie Barger, b. Oct. 31, 1937.
8-2 Myrna Jean Barger, b. Aug. 17, 1943.
8-3 Lewis Edward Barger, b. Jan. 23, 1945.

7-6 Perry Monroe Barger, b. Apr. 19, 1918. Married to Josephine Taylor of Mattoon, Ill., July 9, 1945. Divorced in 1947. Second marriage to Katherine Courtemanche, on Apr. 10, 1948. Employed in Everett, Wash., by an Airlines Corporation. No children.

6-4 Carrie Tabitha Barger, daughter of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Aug. 5, 1877, d. Dec. 25, 1932. Married on Mar. 10, 1897 to Owen Solomon Stanberry, b. July 2, 1875, close by the Sulphur Springs, Coles Co. Many years ago this family moved to Mexico, Mo., where several of the children still reside. Burial place, New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill. The 11 children of Owen and Carrie (Barger) Stanberry were born in Cumberland Co., where they made their home until about 1919 or 1920, when they moved to Mo.

Children:

7-1 Veris Everhard Stanberry, b. Feb. 9, 1898.
7-2 Audrey Alice Stanberry, b. Oct. 29, 1899.
7-3 Foster Elihu Stanberry, b. Sept. 23, 1901.
7-4 Chalice Ray Stanberry, b. Aug. 5, 1903, d. June 5, 1923.
7-5 Gerene A. Stanberry, b. Oct. 20, 1905.
7-6 Zenas Chester Stanberry, b. Aug. 16, 1907.
7-7 Mary Duronda Stanberry, b. June 29, 1909.
7-8 Carrie Irma Stanberry, b. Oct. 26, 1911.
7-9 Owen Chauncey Stanberry, b. Nov. 25, 1913.
7-10 Carl Barger Stanberry, b. Nov. 21, 1915.
7-11 James Millard Stanberry, b. Jan. 29, 1918.

7-1 Veris Everhard Stanberry, b. Feb. 9, 1898, married Apr. 18, 1920 to Opal E. Ryan, b. Mar. 29, 1898. Veris is a mechanic and resides in Maywood, Ill.

Child:

8-1 Jane Eloise Stanberry, b. Oct. 14, 1923. Married Sept. 21, 1946 to Melvin Shepherd. No children.

7-2 Audrey Alice Stanberry, b. Oct. 29, 1899. Married Feb. 18, 1920 to Lon Walters, near Diona, Ill., b. May 26, 1899. Lon was a farmer in the Diona neighborhood, where this couple spent their first years of married life. Later they moved to Mexico, Mo. Burial place, Walters, cemetery near Diona, Ill,, Cumberland Co. Audrey does practical nursing and Lon Walters was employed by a brick kiln industry in Mexico, Mo. Their children live near them in Mo.

Children:

8-1 James Harrell Walters, b. Aug. 7, 1921,d. Mar. 8, 1951.
8-2 Loren Earl Walters, b. Sept. 25, 1924.
8-3 Nina Loeta Walters, b. Aug. 31, 1927.
8-4 Kenneth Eugene Walters, b. Oct. 7, 1929.
8-5 Leona Marie Walters, b. Apr. 20, 1936, d. Apr. 23, 1936.

8-1 James Harrell Walters, b. Aug. 7, 1921, d. Mar. 8, 1951. Married on Sept. 12, 1945 to Gloria Phillips Rorig. Harrell served in the Armed Forces during World War II.
Children:
9-1 Patricia Dianne Walters, b. July 15, 1946.
9-2 Nancy Elizabeth Walters, b. June 28, 1947.

8-2 Loren Earl Walters, b. Sept. 25, 1924, married on Jan. 1, 1945 to Mary E. Kimber.
Children:
9-1 Robert Loren Walters, b. Aug. 28, 1946. Loren and Mary have lived in Germany where Loren was stationed with the Occupation forces, Karen being born in Germany.
Child:
9-2 Karen Ann Walters, b. June 21, 1949.

8-3 Nina Loeta Walters, b. Aug. 31, 1927. Married on Nov. 25, 1948 to Roger David Mansfield.
Children:
9-1 Alice Marguerite Mansfield, b. Jan. 7, 1950.
9-2 Steven Roger Mansfield, b. Mar. 9, 1951.
9-3 Gregory Fredrick Mansfield, b. July 12, 1953.

8-4 Kenney Eugene Walters, b. Oct. 7, 1929, married on July 25, 1952 at Savannah, Georgia, to Geraldine Bagemore. They live near Savannah.
Child:
9-1 Debra Catherine Walters, b. Apr. 18, 1954.

7-3 Foster Elihu Stanberry, b. Sept. 23, 1901. Married June 1, 1925 to Katherine Hall. Katherine died June, 1935.
Children:
8-1 Betty Jean Stanberry, b. Feb. 17, 1926, d. Feb. 28, 1926.
8-2 Barbara Joan Stanberry, b. May 30, 1931, d. Dec. 2, 1937 with Diphtheria.
Foster Elihu Stanberry married a second time to Helen Hall, a sister of Katharine, on May 4, 1936. Elihu is with the Mexico, Mo., power and light Co.,
Children:
8-3 David S. Stanberry, b. Jan. 27, 1937.
8-4 Marlin Stanberry, b. May 26, 1942.

7-5 Gerene A. Stanberry, b. Oct. 20, 1905. Single. Gerene is a graduate of Columbia, Mo., State College and is with the National Organization of Girl Scouts in Texas.

7-6 Zenas Chester Stanberry, b. Aug. 16, 1907, and married in 1936 to Georgia Howdershell. No issue. They live in San Francisco, Calif.

7-7 Mary Duronda Stanberry, b. June 29, 1909. Married Dec. 21, 1943 to James M. Crall. They live in Leesburg, Fla., where Mr. Crall is a teacher in the University of Fla.
Children:
8-1 Cynthia Ann Crall, b. Dec. 4, 1946.
8-2 James Stanberry Crall, b. Mar. 3, 1948.

7-8 Carrie Irma Stanberry, b. Oct. 26, 1911. Married Nov. 1936, to Quinn Vockrodt. This family live in Tulsa, Okla., where Mr. Vockrodt is connected with an Oil Co.
Children:
8-1 Nolan Quinn Vockrodt, b. Aug. 24, 1950.
8-2 Alan Brent Vockrodt, b. Aug. 16, 1951.

7-9 Owen Chauncey Stanberry, b. Nov. 25, 1913, married Sept. 1940 to Ruth Ida Butler, Chauncey is a graduate of Columbia State College. They live in Yuma, Ariz., where Chauncey is associated with the State University in the Agricultural Laboratory.
Children:
8-1 Mark Chauncey Stanberry, b. Dec. 14, 1942.
8-2 Alan Ray Stanberry, b. June 21, 1950.

7-10 Carl Barger Stanberry, b. Nov. 21, 1915. InMay 1939 married to Gwendolyn Griffin.
Child:
8-1 F. Roger Stanberry, b. Jan. 22, 1941. Parents divorced. Carl's second marriage in Nov. 1946 to Dorothy Russell. No issue. Mr. Stanberry is with the Richland Oil Co., and lives in Prosser, Wash.

7-11 James Millard Stanberry, b. Jan. 29, 1918. Married on Oct. 27, 1940 to Mildred Hall. They live in Prosser, Wash., and Millard is operator of a Welding shop.
Children:
8-1 Carolyn Rae Stanberry, b. July 22, 1946.
8-2 Elizabeth Ann Stanberry, b. June 18, 1951.

6-5 Leonard Burton Barger, son of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Aug. 1, 1879, married Dec. 30, 1900 to Lora Louella Davis, of near Johnstown, Ill., b. Mar. 28, 1881. Burton and Lora Barger moved to Cherry Valley, Ark., many years ago, where Burt and his brother, Herma, ran a saw mill for 15 years or more. Arkansas was quite a wild and backward place when the two brothers went there to start a business. There were no good schools, no roads and no adequate transportation. The past 30 years has seen a miraculous change come to that state. Later they went into farming and grew rice extensively---and was considered very successful. Of late years Burt has moved to West Helena, Ark., and does carpenter work and is as successful in that field as in farming.

Child of Burt and Lora Barger:

7-1 Lois Laverne Barger, b. Nov. 12, 1901. Married on June 14, 1923 to Theothlis Sauce Bailey. Mr. Bailey is a contractor and builder and lives in West Helena, Ark. He is a 32nd degree Mason and Lois an Eastern Star. Both are members of the First Baptist church of West Helena.
Child:
8-1 Harold Burton Bailey, b. Oct. 22, 1925. Married on June 27, 1952 to Betty Ann Hancock.

6-6 Herma Lesley Barger, son of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. July 28, 1881, d. June 2, 1928. Married on Dec. 31, 1904 to Viola Cummings of Ark. Like his brother, Burton, Herma was a farmer near Cherry Valley, Ark. He lost his life in a strange, unsolved accident on June 2, 1928. Burial place, Misner cemetery, Cherry Valley, Ark. Of recent years this family has moved to Redding, Calif.
Children:

7-1 Marie Barger, b. Jan. 15, 1906, d. Mar. 9, 1906.
7-2 James Albert Barger, b. Jan. 20, 1907, d. Jan. 1, 1914.
7-3 Mary Lucille Barger, b. Oct. 3, 1908.
7-4 Beatrice Mae Barger, b. Jan. 17, 1910.
7-5 Dorris Barger, b. Oct. 14, 1911, d. Oct. 25, 1911.
7-6 Lesley Ervin Barger, b. Jan. 7, 1913. Single.
7-7 Herman Lynn Barger, b. Oct. 7, 1916.
7-8 Frank Lewis Barger, b. Feb. 19, 1920, d. Apr. 9, 1920.
7-9 Jack Barger, b. June 23, 1928. Single.

7-3 Mary Lucile Barger, b. Oct. 3, 1908. Married Dec. 24, 1927 to Willie P. Faulkner, who is in construction work in Ferriday, La.
Children:

8-1 Billie Barger Faulkner, b. Mar. 3, 1929.
8-2 Martha Ann Faulkner, b. Aug. 25, 1930.
8-3 Harold Lynn Faulkner, b. Aug. 17, 1932.
8-4 Tommy Joe Faulkner, b. Aug. 1, 1934.
8-5 Barbara Jean Faulkner, b. June 5, 1936.
8-6 Mary Alice Faulkner, b. Mar. 7, 1938.
8-7 Paul Wendell Faulkner, b. Nov. 23, 1939.
8-8 Walter Neil Faulkner, b. Mar. 7, 1941.
8-9 James Herman Faulkner, b. July 9, 1943, d. Oct. 9, 1943.
8-10 Norma Louise Faulkner, b. Dec. 5, 1944.
8-11 Michael Edward Faulkner, b. Jan. 14, 1947.
8-12 Fred Faulkner, b. Feb. 23, 1950, d. Feb. 24, 1950.
8-13 Linda Faulkner, b. 1952.
These children born near Cherry Valley, Ark., except for baby Linda, born in La.

8-1 Billie Barger Faulkner, b. Mar. 3, 1929. Married on June 30, 1948 to Audrey Suriels.
Children:

9-1 Kathryn Lea Faulkner, b. July 29, 1949.
9-2 John William Faulkner, b. July 10, 1950, d. June 22, 1951.

8-2 Martha Ann Faulkner, b. Aug. 25, 1930. Married to Alvin Everhart. No children.

7-4 Beatrice Mae Barger, b. Jan. 17, 1910. Married Aug. 13, 1932 to Oscar Edward Stafford. Five children born in Wynne, Ark., where Mr. Stafford is connected with R.R. bridge construction.
Children:
8-1 Beulah Mae Stafford, b. Jan. 30, 1934.
8-2 Jimmie A. Stafford, b. Feb. 7, 1936.
8-3 Edward Lynn Stafford, b. Oct. 7, 1940.
8-4 David Oscar Stafford, b. Nov. 27, 1942.
8-5 Charles Glenn Stafford, b. Feb. 15, 1946.

7-6 Lesley Ervin Barger, b. Jan. 7, 1913. Single and is a talented musician. He has been in the Armed Forces 13 years and is a Sgt. The Army is his career.

7-7 Herman Lynn Barger, b. Oct. 7, 1916. Married on Sept. 21, 1941 to Marjorie Louise Liffick. Herman Lynn is living in Isauquah, Wash., where he is employed by Boeing Aircraft.

6-7 James Emil Barger, son of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Nov. 7, 1889, d. Jan. 3, 1955, of a heart attack at his home near the Sulphur Springs, on the Coles-Cumberland county line. On Dec. 24, 1910, he was married to Minnie Edith Judson, b. Aug. 16, 1888. Emil and Minnie had owned and lived on this farm all their married life. Minnie is from Janesville, Ill. Emil was a farmer and he and his sons operated a sawmill. Emil lost his eyesight in two separate accidents, the last accident being in connection with the sawmill work in Jan. of 1941. Two sons born in Coles Co.
Children:
7-1 David Lloyd Barger, b. Sept. 25, 1912.
7-2 Leland Brooks Barger, b. Nov. 5, 1914. Single. Member of the Elks Lodge, Mattoon, Ill.

7-1 David Lloyd Barger, b. Sept. 25, 1912. He was married on June 4, 1944 to Kathryne Eloise Rhoads, b. Dec. 2, 1920, a daughter of Robert and Lena (Creviston) Rhoads. Eloise attended the Folly grade school and is a graduate of the Neoga high school, class of 1937. She received her Bachelor's Degree in 1941 from Eastern Illinois State College. Her Master's Degree in 1954, same school. Eloise has taught seven years in the Lerna High School and seven years in the Lerna grade schools. Lloyd is a farmer, sawmill operator and stock raiser in conjunction with his brother, Leland. No children.

6-8 Matthew Wymer Barger, son of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. June 25, 1893, d. Apr. 19, 1947. Married on Oct. 28, 1916 to Daisy Doreen Jones, b. Feb. 10, 1895. Matthew Barger operated a grocery store in Trilla, Ill., for many years, in conjunction with his wife and her family. Math was a member of the Trilla Mason Lodge. He was a lover of dogs, was a hunter, fisherman and trapper and excelled in these sports. His wife, Daisy, was a teacher, a gifted pianist, a sweet-voiced singer, who has sang at many funerals. She is an Eastern Star, a Presbyterian, and a member of the Home Bureau unit in her vicinity. Burial place, Beals cemetery. No children.

6-9 Fredrick Hill Barger, son of James and Mary Alice (Hill) Barger, b. Mar. 23, 1895. Married on Mar. 25, 1919 to Gladys Bernice Brown, b. Feb. 1, 1903. They live at 1954 Glen Oaks Blv'd., San Fernando, Calif., where Fred is engaged in carpentering.

Child:

7-1 Rufus Vernon Barger, b. Jan. 31, 1920. Married Feb. 1, 1941 to Daisy LaDora White, of Janesville, Ill.

Child:

8-1 Linda Marie Barger, b. Mar. 1, 1943. These parents divorced. Rufus' second marriage was to Esther Bland on Sept. 13, 1947.

Children:

8-2 Carolyn Lee Barger, b. Feb. 1948, d. Feb. 1948.

8-3 Barbara Ann Barger, b. Mar. 12, 1949. Burial place, Glen Haven cemetery, Los Angeles, Calif. Rufus, too, is a carpenter and employed in the Marshall Islands.

5-4 Charity Blanche Hill, daughter of James and Tabitha (Wright) Hill, b. June 23, 1858, d. Jan. 12, 1882. Married Rev. John Olmsted of near Johnstown, Ill. John was b. Oct.14, 1854, d. Sept. 25, 1927. Blanche and her infant son, Firma, are buried at Wright cemetery, Coles Co., Ill. Rev. John Olmsted married a second time to Miss Jenney Woods, and raised a large family of children and lived to a ripe old age. John is buried at the Berry cemetery near Toledo, Ill. Rev. John was a Baptist minister and was instrumental in getting the Baptist church that stands a fourth of a mile south of Johnstown, Ill., as it is today.

*(Note: Cumberland County Circuit Court records, at Toledo, Illinois, show that Francis Marion Wright's estate was being settled in Saline Co.,Illinois Dec.17,1879. He left widow,Molly, and heirs at law, and names his sisters, Elizabeth Hill,Tabitha Hill and Susan Garren of Cumberland Co.,Ill. also several nieces and nephews, children of his deceased sisters.)

4-6 Francis Marion Wright, son of Jesse and Susanna Wright, born 1833 in Monroe Co., Ind., d. Dec. 29, 1875 in Saline Co., Ill. He was listed in the census of 1860 as 26 years old and a school teacher, in Cottonwood precinct, Cumberland Co., Ill. He married Mollie--------. No children. No more known to date. (1955)

4-7 Susan Wright, daughter of Jesse and Susanna Wright, was born in Monroe Co., Ind., Clear Creek Twp. Dec. 30, 1835, d. Dec. 30, 1883. Married William Garren of Centralia, Ill., b. July 6, 1838, d. May 20, 1890. Wm. Garren was a veteran of the Civil War. After his return from service, William and Susan moved to Johnstown, Ill., living on the old Jesse Wright farm the remainder of their lives. They attended the Christian and U.B. church and are buried at Wright cemetery, Coles Co., Illinois.
Children:

5-1 Francis Marion "Bud" Garren, b. Walnut Hill, Jefferson Co., Ill., June 4, 1862, d. Dec. 16, 1946.
5-2 Charles Garren, b. Apr. 4, 1867, d. July 10, 1912.
5-3 Seymour William Garren, b. 1869, d. July 4, 1917.
5-4 Minnie Garren, b. May 27, 1870, d. July 17, 1898.
5-5 Lenna Garren, b. Oct. 26, 1873.

As copied from F.M. Garren's family Bible.

5-1 Francis Marion Garren, son of Wm. and Susan (Wright) Garren, b. June 4, 1862, at Walnut Hill, Jefferson Co., Ill., d. Dec. 16, 1946, in Trufant, Mich. Married Amy Sanders of Walnut Hill, Ill., b. July 28, 1870, d. Nov. 27, 1925. Amy and Francis Marion are buried in the new cemetery at Centralia, Illinois.
As copied by Mrs. Bertha Owens from the family Bible.
Children of Francis Marion and Amy (Sanders) Garren:

6-1 Pearl Garren, b. Mar. 24, 1893, d. May 5, 1893.
6-2 Dwight Garren, b. Aug. 13, 1894, d. Jan. 26, 1902.
6-3 Bertha Garren, b. Dec. 13, 1896.
6-4 Infant, b. Apr. 17, 1899.
6-5 Susan Jean Garren, b. Dec. 7, 1900.
6-6 Hazel Ann Garren, b. Oct. 30, 1902.
6-7 Infant, b. Sept. 6, 1905.

6-3 Bertha Garren,b. Dec. 13, 1896, married Walter Gillespie, d. on Sept. 14, 1924. No children. Bertha's second marriage to Oren Owen, Oct. 1, 1944. Oren Owen deceased Aug. 26, 1954 in Trufant, Michigan. No children.

6-5 Susan Jean Garren, b. Dec. 7, 1900, married Lewis Howe, killed in World War I. Buried New Memorial cemetery, Centalia, Ill.
Child:
7-1 Victor Howe, single.

Susan's second marriage to Rosa Goodwin. They are living at Valrico, Fla. R.F.D. No children.

6-6 Hazel Ann Garren, b. Oct. 30, 1902. Married James Webb, and live at Decatur, Illinois. No children.

This data compiled by Mrs. Garren Titus and Arthur Titus.

5-2 Charles Garren, son of Wm. and Susan (Wright) Garren, b. Apr. 4, 1867, d. July 10, 1912. He was married to Cora Hill, daughter of Frank and Fidella Hill of Smithville, Ind. Cora b. Jan. 10, 1871, d. Dec. 17, 1887. Charles was a successful farmer. He was struck by lightning while cultivating corn on his farm south west of Johnstown.
Child:
6-1 Carrie Garren, b. Jan. 7, 1887, d. Jan. 7, 1926. She wad married on Sept. 1, 1907 to Arthur Titus of near Trilla, Illinois. Arthur, b. July 23, 1888. Still owns and lives on the old Wright farm purchased by Benjamin Wright in July 1853. Jesse, and Benjamin Wright were brothers. Carrie and son Harold are buried at New Gordon cemetery, near Janesville, Ill.
Children:
7-1 Harold Charles Titus, b. Apr. 17, 1908, d. 1922.
7-2 Mayme Pauline Titus, b. Aug. 23, 1909.
7-3 Oscar Benton Titus, "Doc", b. Aug. 15, 1911.
7-4 Pearl Jeanette Titus, b. Oct. 15, 1913.
7-5 Dale Valentine Titus, b. Feb. 14, 1915.
7-6 Arthur June Titus, b. June 9, 1918.
7-7 Garren Raymond Titus, b. Oct. 9, 1920.
7-8 Marvin Cyrus Titus, b. Mar. 31, 1923.
7-9 Betty Virginia Titus, b. Oct. 25, 1925.

7-2 Mayme Pauline Titus, b. Aug. 23, 1909, married Oct. 26, 1929 to Earnest Spears, b. Nov. 24, 1907.
Child:
8-1 James Melvin Spears, b. June 27, 1930 was married June 16, 1950 to Elizabeth Guy, b. May 11, 1930 of Logootee, Ind.
Children:
9-1 Jacqueline Sue Spears, b. Dec. 18, 1950.
9-2 Geraldine Louise Spears, b. Mar. 5, 1953.

7-3 Oscar Benton Titus, b. Aug. 15, 1911, married Aug. 30, 1932 to Viola Modrell of near Toledo, Ill., b. Dec. 5, 1914.
Children:
8-1 Ralph Eugene Titus, b. Apr. 5, 1933. In the 47th Air Base Group in England.
8-2 Betty Lu Titus, b. Apr. 28, 1934. Married Leslie Russell, of Decatur, Ill. Leslie is an employee of the Staley Manuf., Co.
Child:
9-1 Ricky Delane Russell, b. Mar. 29, 1955.

7-4 Pearl Jeanette Titus, b. Oct. 15, 1913. Married Ervin Brewer, b. Oct. 15, 1912.
Child:
8-1 Richard Arlen Brewer, b. July 23, 1939.

7-5 Dale Valentine Titus, b. Feb. 14, 1915, married on July 4, 1937 to Lavila Mae Ruthig, deceased, Mar. 4, 1951.
Dale was fatally injured in a car wreck Oct.23,1955 at Port Hope, Mich., burial at Ubly Valley C. Port Hope.
8-1 Larry Lee Titus, b. Feb. 17, 1938.

7-6 Arthur June Titus, b. June 9, 1918, married Feb. 9, 1946 to Thelma Saxon Brown, b. June 23, 1910. Arthur Jr., and Thelma live at Harbor Beach, Mich. He served in World War II stationed in the South Pacific. No children.

7-7 Garren Raymond Titus, b. Oct. 9, 1920, married Feb. 20, 1948 to Evelyn Mae Shoots, a daughter of Edd and Bessie (Ozee) Shoots. Evelyn born May 8, 1924. Garren is a farmer and the family live one and a fourth mile south of Lerna, Ill. Garren is a veteran of World War II and was stationed in the South Pacific theatre. Evelyn is a graduate of the Lerna High School. They attend the U.B. church of Johnstown, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Garren Roger Titus, b. Jan. 27, 1949.
8-2 Charles Arthur Ozee Titus, b. Mar. 17, 1952.
8-3 Phillip Paul Titus, b. Aug. 7, 1955.

7-8 Marvin Cyrus Titus, b. Mar. 31, 1923, married Dec. 22, 1945 to Bonnie Jean (Anderson) Bromley, b. 1925. Cy served in the Navy, South Pacific theatre in World War II., and is now employed on the Mattoon, Ill., police force.
Child:
8-1 Vickie Sianne Titus, b. Feb. 19, 1951.

7-9 Betty Virginia Titus, called Betty Jean, was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seeley of Toledo, Ill., after the death of her mother. Betty was born [illegible] Oct. 25, 1925 and married June 20, 1948 to James Fletcher of Montrose, Ill. They live at present in Emporia, Kansas.
Children:
8-1 Michael Charles Fletcher, b. July, 1949.
8-2 Mark Allan Fletcher, b. May, 1954.

5-2 Charles Garren's second marriage was to Ella Groves, b. Feb. 7, 1869, d. Apr. 24, 1928. Charles and his family are buried at Wright cemetery, Coles Co., Ill. Two boys and two girls died as infants.

6-2 Blanche Garren, b. Nov. 9, 1903, was married to Riley Icenogle on Jan. 7, 1922. Riley was a son of Abraham and Minerva (Fredrick) Hillard Icenogle. Riley deceased Feb. 7, 1938. He owned and operated a general store in Toledo, Ill. Burila place, Berry cemetery near Toledo, Ill.
Children:
7-1 Eleanor Jean Icenogle, b. Jan. 13, 1926.
7-2 Roger Icenogle, b. Feb. 1, 1930.

7-1 Eleanor Jean Icenogle, b. Jan. 13, 1926. Married Cleone Markwell on Apr. 16, 1949. Cleone is a mortician of Casey, Ill.
Children:
8-1 Patrice Lynn Markwell, b. Oct. 22, 1952.
8-2 Susan Rogene Markwell, b. Oct. 25, 1953.
8-3 Barbara Jean Markwell, b. Sept. 2, 1955.

7-2 Roger Icenogle, b. Feb. 1, 1930, married Phyllis Marian Cordes June 9, 1951. Phyllis b. Sept. 15, 1931 near Toledo, Ill. Roger has just returned from armed service overseas.

5-3 Seymour William Garren, son of William and Susan (Wright) Garren, b. near Johnstown on his grandfather, Jesse Wright's farm, Dec. 27, 1869. d. July 4, 1917. Married Elizabeth Greeson, a daughter of Sydney and Nan (Meyers) Greeson, b. Oct. 3, 1879, d. Dec. 1, 1916. Seymour and "Sis" as she was called, lived all their married life on the old Wright farm and reared their two children there. Many years ago their farm home burned and now large trees are growing within the foundation walls on which their spacious white farm home stood. Seymour and Sis attended the U.B. church and are buried in Boles cemetery near Trilla, Ill. Seymour studied law, also read the Bible and upon his death, left many pages of written theories concerning law passages and verses of note in the Bible. He served as J.P., of Cottonwood Twp., and married many young couples. It is told he would loan the local swains money to marry on, then perform the ceremony. He also served as Supervisor and was keenly interested in the progress of the community and in the well-being of his fellow man. This writer, in my search for family, have gone into every nook and cranny of Johnstown and surrounding community and in visiting with Seymour's

old friends, and neighbors, I have never encountered so well loved a personage as Seymour Garren. Even today, so many years after his death, the love and esteem live on, and what greater gift can man ask of the parents and community that bore him, than the universal love of his very own. It will be long before Johnstown produces another native son as well loved as Seymour, son of Susan (Wright) Garren.

Children:

6-1 Floy Garren, b. Aug. 27, 1896 and was married Jan. 11, 1914 to Fred Russell of Johnstown, Ill., b. July 19, 1896. They live on the Greeson home place just west of the village of Johnstown. Fred was employed as street car conductor in Mattoon for several years. Was later employed by the Berkowitz fruit and vegetable wholesale company until he was retired.

Children:

7-1 Cora Russell, b. July 14, 1914. Single.

7-2 Francis Edna Russell, b. Sept. 24, 1918, married on June 1, 1946 to Roy Danforth, b. July, 1917. Roy is with the REA of Newton, Ill., a local boy and has a responsible position, being in charge of material to build, operate and maintain an entire REA to bring electricity to the rural areas; a vision so immense I fear our ancestors had no conception of the joy and comfort REA has brought us. Francis is a school teacher of 14 years standing. No children.

6-2 Jesse Glen Garren, son of Seymour and Elizabeth (Greeson) Garren., b. Mar. 30, 1899. Single.

5-4 Minnie Garren, daughter of Wm. and Susan (Wright) Garren, b. May 27, 1870, d. July 17, 1898. She married Thomas Thornton of Johnstown, Ill., a son of George and Lavina (Strader) Thornton, b. Mar. 12, 1865, d. Sept. 4, 1920. They attended the U.B. church.

Child:

6-1 Infant, perished. Minnie and Thomas are buried at Wright cemetery, Coles Co., Ill. Thomas did not re-marry. He was a carpenter and fairly successful. In Wright cemetery one can yet read the short verse Thomas had inscribed on his young wife's stone:

"A lovely one from us is taken,
A voice we loved is silenced.
A place is vacant in our home and church
That never can be filled."

5-5 Lenna Garren, son of Wm. and Susan (Wright) Garren, b. Oct. 26, 1873, d. Nov. 23, 1874.

By Mrs. Mary Evans Wright, Maryville, Missouri.

3-8 Benjamin Wright, Jr., son of Benjamin and Barbara Wright, was born on Apr. 18, 1794, in Randolph Co., N.C., d. in Cumberland Co., Ill., Sept. 4, 1866. Married Oct. 26, 1816 in Randolph Co., North Carolina, to Mary called "Polly" Hill. She was a sister of Thomas Hill, who married Sarah Wright, Benjamin's sister.

Mary was born Apr. 4, 1800, d. Sept. 30, 1846 in Putnam Co., Ind. She was buried on the home farm in a cemetery created in 1838 when her eldest son died. Benjamin served in the war of 1812. His record says: "Ben Wright enlisted from Randolph Co., N.C., on Nov. 28, 1814 and served as a private in Cap't., John Ransour's Co., of N.C. Militia until Feb. 22, 1815. Discharge not dated. Pay per month, $8.00 number of days returning home. 14 days Am't. of Pay rec'd, $15.74. He was living in Putnam Co., Ind., in 1850. In 1855, was residing in Cumberland Co., Ill., age 61 years. He was allowed bounty land in full satisfaction for his services. Benjamin and Mary (Hill) Wright, moved with other relatives from N.C., to Putnam Co., Ind., in 1822. Here they settled on a farm in Madison Twp., on Little Walnut Creek, west of Greencastle, Ind., five miles north of Reelsville, Ind. This was their home until a few years after Mary's death, when he sold the farm to his son, William Wright, and moved to Ill. This farm is still in possession of William Wright's grandson, Raymond T. Wright.

Benjamin Wright was a Justice of Peace for many years in Putnam Co., Ind. His grandson says he married many couples in his cornfield, if they came while he was working.

The marriage record of Benjamin Wright, Jr., and Mary "Polly" Hill, was obtained from North Carolina Historical Commission, Raleigh, N.C., from the Randolph Co., Marriage Bonds, Box W.
Children of Benjamin and Mary (Hill) Wright:

1. Wellington Wright, b. May 5, 1817, d. Mar. 1, 1838.
2. Lyndon Wright, b. June 1, 1818, d. 1902.
3. Zebidee Wright, b. Dec. 9, 1819, d. Dec. 19, 1903.
4. Rebecca Wright, b. Sept. 27, 1821, d. 1888.
5. Larkin Wright, b. Sept. 21, 1823, d. Feb. 28, 1890.
6. William Wright, b. Aug. 9, 1825, d. 1904.
7. Lydia Wright, b. Dec. 12, 1826, d. 1900.
8. Eliza Wright, b. Oct. 7, 1828, d. 1913.
9. Amanda Wright, b. Aug. 7, 1830, d. Dec. 4, 1915.
10. Simeon Wright, b. Feb. 14, 1832, d. June 20, 1880.
11. Perry Wright, b. Nov. 16, 1833, d. May 24, 1875.
12. Nancy Wright, b. Apr. 9, 1835, d. Dec. 16, 1909.
13. Synthia Wright, b. June 4, 1837, d. 1899.
14. Lucinda Wright, b. July 16, 1839, d. Mar. 15, 1932.

Much of the above data was collected by U.S. Wright of Maryville, Mo., son of Simeon Wright. U.S., moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, in 1934. U.S. Wright was born in Nodaway Co., Mo., June 22, 1865 a son of Simeon and Sarilda Jane (Swinford) Wright. In trying to discover my ancestor's true identity, I contacted Mr. Wright, in New Mexico, also Mrs. Mary Evans Wright, of Maryville, Mo., and Mrs. Osee (Johnson) Knouf, of LaGrange, Ill., who have been very helpful to a stranger, who after all these many years, burst into their midst saying: "I am a great great grand-daughter of Benjamin Wright, who is buried at old Wright cemetery. I have his tombstone and grave and land placement and kin prove it. What have you?"

I hope it didn't sound quite so brash, but from their several letters I have been able to piece a little of the story together of Benjamin Wright's 14 years at Johnstown, Illinois, Cumberland County.

Born in 1794, he was 58 years of age when he came to this section of the country, where the water stood on the prairie, all was virgin timber on the slopes. His 40 acres, purchased July 11, 1853, E½ NE¼ of Sec. 33, t. 11, R 8, N. of 3rd P.M., was on the dank prairie one and half mile south west of Johnstown. Most of the children migrated on farther west and spread out over Missouri and points west.

I contacted Daisy Richardson, the 13th , the child of Lucinda (Wright) Richardson, who was the 14th child of Benjamin Wright. As U.S. Wright, grandson of Benjamin Wright, who is buried at Wright cemetery and Osee (Johnson) Knouf, are the only two with whom I have corresponded at length, I will dwell only a moment on the back ground of these two. U.S. Wright is now living in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

U.S. Wright helped organize and open Wright Bros., bank in Parnelle, Mo., in 1888, where he was active in the business until 1910, when he sold his interests and moved to Maryville, Mo. He has served as Mayor of Maryville, and was very active as a Mason. He became a Mason in Gaynor City Lodge No. 365, in 1889. He is a Knights Templar, 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner. He has his 50 year medal and in 1955 will complete his 66th year as a Mason. He has served as Master High Priest, Commander, and all intermediate stations.

* Osee (Johnson) Knouf, b. Mar. 18, 1897, Numa, Iowa, attended Drake University on a scholarship from Seymour High School, 1915-1918. She taught in Appanoose Co., Iowa, 1918-1922. Received a B.S. degree from Iowa State College, in Home Economics, June 9, 1924. She married on June 11, 1924, Ralph J. Knouf at Ames, Iowa. Osee taught in Union Vocational school in Schenectady, New York, in 1924 and 1925. Her hobby is genealogy and has compiled the Knouf, Russell, Johnson, Dyball and three volumes of Wright history. They live at LaGrange, Ill. Osee has been very kind, tolerant and helpful to me in my blind search, passing on to me, ways, means and even writing for information for me. She is Regent of her DAR

*(Note: Osee (Johnson) Knouf is not a descendant of Benjamin Wright, Jr. but of his sisters, Sarah (Wright) Hill and Martha (Wright) Moss. For details see her manuscript, "WRIGHT FAMILY, VOL.I.")

Chapter for this year and her contacts, methods and store of information gleaned from 20 years work had been a wonderful aid, indeed.

Notes: The depression ruined a lot of Wright's as well as millions of others, and old Benjamin's grandson's were no exception. U.S. Wright (my correspondent) was a bank President, when still young man, his Uncle , Larkin, and sons were bankers, and after the depression and the recuperation of the banks, they returned to their chosen professions. But U.S., already of retirement age, retired and in 1934 moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, to round out his life amid mellow sunshine and cactus. He is still living, hale and hearty at 90 years. All of these Wrights love research and have contributed to the history of the Wright family by Osee (Johnson) Knouf and Lillie (Wright) Lane White.

Mr. U.S. Wright sent me a picture of his grandfather, Benjamin, which I have had reproduced. Daisy Richardson writes of the day the likeness was "taken". "Grandfather went into the little studio in his shirt sleeves, as the day was hot. The photographer says, 'just slip into this coat,' so that is why he has the coat on. My mother always spoke of her father as being such a tolerant, understanding and just person. And I know my mother was."

Mr. U.S. Wright wrote me in one of his early letters: "I was born in Nodaway Co., Mo., June 22, 1865 and will be 90 my next birthday. I have worked at this family research business a long time, almost 65 years, and have accumulated a lot of material. That has been my hobby. It is very interesting but takes a lot of time, patience and plain hard work."

I'm sorry to say, I have little patience, and later as I was still under the delusion, I was great great grand-daughter of Benjamin, Mr. Wright wrote his sister-in-law, Mrs. H.W. Wright, in Maryville, Mo.: "I believe Mrs. Misenhimer is the most confused person I ever saw, concerning her ancestors. I hope to help her get straightened out. She cannot be one of Benjamin's great great grand-daughters." (I find it is easier to get confused than straightened out.) He wrote me: "I am nearing 90, but still do my own typing and read headlines without glasses, also the news, except very fine print. I am using the same glasses I bought in 1910. I have new ones, purchased this year but are no improvement on the 1910 model only in appearance. I wonder what date you were born in 1903. My only son was born in July 1903. He is married, has two children and is in the Internal revenue Dep't., with Uncle Sam. I have four daughters, one son, 9 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren at the present time." (Oct. 1954.)

I do not know what ailment Benjamin died of, nor does it matter, but he passed to just reward and I wish I could record a bit more of his life in this raw county of Cumberland in 1852. The last notation I have is from the county abstract office. Thomas Wright was made adm., of Benjamin Wright's estate in Nov. 1870. The 40 acre farm was sold to John Dare on Feb. 6, 1872. His family went on to become ministers, bankers, teachers, stenographers, accountants, and soldiers, a lasting and continuing tribute to their ancestor, Benjamin Wright.

On Feb. 12, 1955 U.S. wrote: "I have five children and 9 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren living at this time and another on the way for March delivery. Grandfather Benjamin J. Wright (Jr) was father of 15 by first wife and four by second wife. I tallied 84 grandchildren and may not have them all. Richard Wright Jr., had 24 children and he a Baptist minister. James Benjamin had 21, also a preacher, in Illinois. Wow! No wonder there are so many Wrights. I imagine there are millions and some in all parts of the Globe. My grandson, Robert Wesley Blagg (b. Feb. 5, 1933) now in the Navy, is getting married to day in Glen Falls, N.Y., to Doris Arlene Stewart and will reside at 503 N. Edison St., Arlington, Va. Thanks a million for everything, and good luck and best wishes, respectfully yours, U.S. Wright."

4-14 Lucinda Wright, daughter of Benjamin Jr., and Mary (Hill) Wright, and 14th child, b. July 16, 1839, near Greencastle, Ind., d. in Denver, Colo., Mar. 15, 1932. On June 15, 1837, was born James Richardson, to whom she was married Jan. 25, 1857, at Johnstown, Ill. Lucinda is responsible for much of the older generations of Benjamin Wright, Sr's., line having given the names his children by both wives, etc. She remembered many of her aunts and uncles in Putnam Co., Ind., also many of Richard Wright Sr's descendants, especially the ministers.
Children of James and Lucinda (Wright) Richardson.

1. Lizzie Richardson, b. May 8, 1858. d.y. buried Wright cemetery.
2. John R. Richardson, b. Jan. 28, 1861, d. Dec. 20, 1938. Westfield, Iowa. Wife died the same week.
3. Ida Richardson, d.y. buried in Wright cemetery.
4. Infant, stillborn, buried in Wright cemetery.
5. Logan Richardson, b. Aug. 5, 1864, d. May 16, 1938. Pheonix, Ariz
6. Joseph Richardson, b. May 18, 1866, living in 1949. d. 1954.
7. Mary Richardson, b. Sept. 29, 1869, d. in Calif., Mar. 1913.
8. James Richardson, b. Nov. 8, 1871, d. June 23, 1936.
9. Jennie Richardson, b. Oct. 5, 1873, d. Jan. 19, 1926, Denver, Color.
10. Richard Richardson, b. Apr. 10, 1875, d. July 8, 1926. Great Falls, Montana.
11. Thomas Richardson, b. Sept. 28, 1879, d. June 26, 1901.
12. Daisy Richardson, b. Jan. 13, 1881, only living child today. (1955)

1. Benjamin Wright's was married a second time to Elizabeth Blain, May 29, 1847.
Children:
1. Benjamin Franklin Wright, b. 1849, d. 1913. No children.
2. Elizabeth Wright, b. 1856, d. buried Wright cemetery, Coles Co.
3. Zacharia, twin of Elizabeth, b. 1856, died.
4. Charles Wright, d. in Iowa 1906. Single.

Lucinda Wright, was 15 years old when she came to Cumberland Co., Ill. Five years later she was married to James Richardson, a brother of Ira and Dick Richardson, sons of Betsy (Boles) Richardson Meyers. As Lucinda was the only child of Benjamin's who lived and married at Johnstown, Ill., I was interested in her and life here.

Daisy, James Richardson's only living and 12th child writes to her uncle, U.S. Wright:

"I remember my mother telling of the cyclone in Ill., there were two children with my mother, my father, James, had gone to town and she saw the storm coming and knew would be a bad one. They lived in a log house, and she looked about for shelter and tried to get the oldest child to crawl under the bed. He wouldn't, so she ran outside and with the two children, went into the cellar, a makeshift affair for butter and milk and not tall enough to stand up-right in."

Note: Frank Greeson, son of Nan (Meyers) Greeson, who was a half sister of James Richardson, tells me, he believes James and Lucinda Richardson lived a short distance south of Effingham, Ill., at a small place called, Mason, recalls hearing James tell of the devastation of the cyclone. James was away and came rushing home as the storm abated to find everything demolished about the place and no sign of life. He ran about among the ruins of the log house shouting Lucinda's name. Presently he heard a small voice coming from the cellar---"Pa, we're in here, we're in the cellar," and there they were, safe and sound.

"After the storm was over she came out. The house was no more, everything they had plus house was blown away," wrote Daisy.

"My mother had a hard time, when father was away to the Civil War. They had two children by then, and she cared for them and raised a garden for their food and got along as best she could as so many others were doing.

"My mother lost three children while living at Johnstown, Elizabeth, died age five, Ida, and another infant, un-named. All are buried at Wright cemetery, but have no markers."

What year James Richardson took his family and moved on west I do not know, but I presume about 1868 or 1869, as my father says he has no recollection of James Richardson, and thought perhaps they had left this vicinity. Floy tells me, as has others, of James' craze over horses, and added drink to his love of horse-trading, and so dragged his family westward where no doubt they endured untold hardship sharing the lot of a horse trader plus a mounting number of babies to care for.

They settled awhile at least, in Neb., for Daisy, the youngest, was born there on Jan. 13, 1881, and where occured a snake story and scare that U.S. Wright thought would "hold me awhile."

James and Lucinda had taken a claim out on the prairie in Neb., not far from where Lincoln, Neb., is now situated. Lucinda had a young baby, Richard, born Apr. 10, 1875. But as U.S., dryly wrote, "the snake never got him." Lucinda had nursed the baby and tucked it to sleep and covered it over and went on to her washing. After some time, she heard the baby fussing and went to see what was chafing the youngster. When she lifted the cover, there snugly coiled against the baby for warmth, was a six foot sleepy-eyed rattler. Lucinda snatched the baby up and ran screaming into the yard where she could see James plowing prairie sod not too far away. He ran to the house and killed the snake.

But the trader's itch finally was James' un-doing. He abandoned his family in Neb., when Daisy was only a few weeks or months old, leaving Lucinda with 7 children. Lucinda moved to Mo., where she raised her family.

"My mother was a wonderful woman," writes her daughter, Daisy. And I can well believe it. There was never any bend or stoop to Lucinda's slender shoulders. In a picture I was privileged to see, recently, at 81 years of age, she stood there, tall, slender and straight as a willow withe. I took the picture to Floy who's grandmother, Nan, was a half sister of James Richardson and Floy agreed, hard times hadn't bowed her shoulders. Her face was oddly round, even at 81, looked young and girlish and in youth must have been a very beautiful girl.

In the picture, of Daisy and her mother, Daisy wrote: "When the picture was taken, my mother was 51 years of age." Daisy was a very pretty little girl, with the round face of her mother, Lucinda.

James, off on his traders rounds stopped at a ranch to ask for a night's lodging....in the morning he was found dead in his bed. No doubt he lies in an un-marked grave on the Nebraska prairie.

Later, I received another letter from Daisy Richardson; she wrote:

"You asked what year my folks came west from Johnstown. I have to go by the dates in the Bible. My brother, Joe, was the last child born in Ill, and he was born 1866. When they got west, a girl was born in 1869. They left Ill, between the years of 1866 and 1869.

In regards to the cyclone, there must have been two, as my mother had two children whenshe rushed to the cellar to save them. My oldest brother was born 1861, and he was three years old, and she carried the baby in her arms. So the cyclone must have been about 1864.

My mother had six children born in Ill. The oldest lived to be 6 years old and 2 others died in infancy. My mother used to worry so because they had no markers and the graves would be lost. I never knew any of my father's folks, but do recall mother speaking of a sister Emeline who married a Robert Gilliland, and too, I recall mother saying the Richardson's came from North Carolina."

The remaining section of this manuscript was intended as a history of the HILL FAMILY. But since it is made up almost entirely of descendants of those HILLS who married into the WRIGHT family, it is being included here, and later will be used as a separate history of the HILL family. The parts given in the WRIGHT section, are not repeated but referred to by page.

It should be noted that Benjamin Wright,Sr. had a son and a daughter marry into the HILL family, besides the four granddaughters whose record is found in this manuscript.

Data on the Hill family compiled by Mrs. Glen (Freda Landrus) Misenhimer.

Hill graves at Old Mount Salem cemetery, south of Bloomington, Indiana, Route 37.

These, I believe to be our forebears, father, mother and sister of our great great grandfather, Basil Hill.

Indiana census of 1820 lists Thomas Hill, head of the family. Two males 10 to 16; one female under 10; one female 45 and up. One male 26 to 45; one male 45 and up. Mellick, his wife, b. June 28, 1779. d. Oct. 14, 1854. Thomas Hill, b. Mar. 6, 1777, d. May 5, 1850.

Sophie Hill, b. June 19, 1814, d. Oct. 14, 1854. Sophie, according to those in the family who have even a faint recollection, recall hearing of Sophie, the daughter who never married. Hugh Hill, b. May 6, 1809.

From Mrs. Lura B. Emery of Bloomington, Indiana I received this note as to possible cause of death of Mellick and Sophia Hill.

"It was a year of cholera and typhoid in Indiana. Many families lost members a day or so apart and as in this instance, two in the same day."

A note received by this writer from Indiana State Library, states Thomas Hill was born in Maryland. I have no further information at this time.

Dickey wrote long ago:

"If the events of the past are buried
In the waste of ages, and there are no
Landmarks by which to trace the track of time,
And no means of understanding the influence's
Which have molded human destiny."

Basil Hill, born in Kentucky, 1802, d. Nov. 28, 1866, age 64 years, 5 months, 4 days. Married on Sept. 3, 1820 to Charity Wright, born Mar. 2, 1804, d. Feb. 8, 1876. Charity was a daughter of James Wright, grand-daughter of Richard Wright, Sr.

4-2 Charity Wright, b. Mar. 2, 1804, d. Feb. 8, 1876, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Sears) Wright, married Sept. 21, 1820, Basil Hill, b. June 25, 1802, d. Oct. 24, 1866. Basil was a farmer and lived near Smithville, Indiana and owned 300 acres of land, and was considered a very successful farmer.

Charity Wright, and her son, Hugh, lie buried at Harrodsburg cemetery near Harrodsburg, Indiana. Basil and son Isaac, are buried at Mount Salem cemetery south of Bloomington, Ind., just off Route 37 (1954).

Children of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill:

5-1 Levi Hill, b. Aug. 17, 1821, d. Dec. 17, 1905.
5-2 Thomas Hill, B. Nov. 29, 1822, d. Feb. 1892.
5-3 James Hill, b. Nov. 29, 1822, (identical twin of Thomas) d. Mar. 11, 1877.
5-4 Isaac Hill, b. June 9, 1825, d. Sept. 26, 1851. Single.
5-5 Hugh Hamilton Hill, b. Jan. 9, 1830, d. Feb. 11, 1877. Single.
5-6 Elizabeth Hill, b. 1832, d. about 1904 or earlier.
5-7 Greenbury Hill, b. Aug. 26, 1835, d. at age of ca 93 yrs.
5-8 Susan Hill, b. Sept. 17, 1843, d. May 4, 1927.

5-1 Levi Hill, son of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, married on July 9, 1840, Elizabeth Wright, daughter of Jesse and Susanna Wright.

For details about them and their descendants, see pages 32 to 43 in this manuscript. Since they are listed in the descendants of Jesse Wright, they will not be repeated here.

5-2 Thomas Hill, son of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, b. Nov. 29, 1822, d. Feb. 1892. He married Elizabeth Mercer, called"Musser", of near Smithville, Ind., about 1843. Elizabeth was born Mar. 6, 1826, died Nov. 15, 1900. Both are buried in old Haggins cemetery near Bradbury, Cumberland Co., Illinois. Thomas and Elizabeth had three children born in Indiana as shown by 1850 census records of Monroe Co. Ind., one of whom perished. The parents migrated to Cumberland Co., Illinois, possibly in the fall of 1850, and bought land near Johnstown, Ill. But as did Levi Hill for the first winter, they lived a half mile west of Johnstown on the north side of the east and west road. Later, Thomas sold his first bought acreage that lay one half mile south of Johnstown, to his brother James, and bought land farther south on the prairie, a vast, swampy water covered swale where the early settlers could "hog" catfish by hand, in August, on the flat land, the prairie-blue-stem grass grew 10 to 12 feet high and was fairly alive with frogs, prairie rattlers, wolves and various other denizens of these flat lowlands. Apt to the period was a poem by George Balch, who lived on the same sort of prairie a few miles north of Thomas.

"And over the path where the pioneer toiled,
And the wild wolf screamed and the rattle snake coiled,
The long row of maples and the evergreen trees
Now wave their sweet boughs in the soft balmy breeze."

The prairie was not conquered by the plow until the late 1860's when James Barger sent back to Cincinnati for a "24" inch plow and with four to six yoke of exen he turned under the brushy rooted sod. The first homestead site of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, where they built their first log cabin was the northwest corner S.E. Sec. 3, T 10, R. 8, E. 3rd P.M. Cottonwood Twp., Cumberland County and other tracts of land. in Indiana there had been a series of hard times and Thomas Hill worked in the timber to supply his small family with the necessities of life. It has been told how many days labor it took to buy little John Davis Hill,

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their first child, calico, for a dress. Many years later, long after John Davis was grown, he still cherished among his souvenirs, a sleeve of the little calico dress.

It has been thought Thomas Hill came to Illinois a year or so ahead of his identical twin brother, James, as the amusing story is told of John Davis and his "two paps" which bears out the truth of this theory.

One evening, coming in from play, John Davis found two men together in the room, both of whom he thought to be his father, frightened, he leaped behind the door and hid. When his mother came into the room, he caught her apron, pulling her behind the door, whispering in tragic tones, "I've got two paps." Mrs. Hill explained one of the men was his uncle James, his father's twin brother newly arrived from Indiana. John peeped out at them, then whispered again, "but which is my pap?" Thomas and Elizabeth Hill had ten children born to them. As copied from the old Bible kept by Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill.
Children:

6-1 John Davis Hill, b. Nov. 27, 1844, d. Aug. 15, 1926.
6-2 Emily Jane Hill, b. Apr. 10, 1849. Perished.
6-3 Eliza Ann Hill, b. Apr. 22, 1850, d. Aug. 19, 1919.
6-4 George B. Hill, b. Oct. 27, 1852, d. Oct. 9, 1883. Single.
6-5 Mary Ellen Hill, b. Dec. 30, 1854, d. July 4, 1878.
6-6 James W. Hill, b. May 6, 1857, d. Dec. 11, 1908.
6-7 Charity E. Hill, b. Mar. 10, 1860, d. Dec. 26, 1950.
6-8 Joseph H. Hill, b. May 1, 1862, d. July 4, 1941.
6-9 Clement L. Hill, b. May 23, 1865. Only living child. (1955)
6-10 Elizabeth Hill, b. Oct. 9,1867. d. July 3, 1935.

6-1 John Davis Hill, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. Nov. 27, 1844, d. Aug. 15, 1926. John was born in Monroe Co., Ind., and came to Ill., in the fall of 1850 to 1852. He attended the early rural country schools and Lee's academy at Loxa, Ill. John was considered one of the best teachers of the day and students hired board in the vicinity where he was teaching for the opportunity of studying with him. He began his teaching career on Oct. 1, 1867 and included the schools of Tate, 1867; Bean, 1868; Cottonwood, 1869; Fairview, 1870; Brown, 1870; Berry, 1871; Folly, 1872 and Johnstown, 1875. Some of these schools were repeat terms. By a note found in an old McGuffie's reader, property of John, was found this notation: "Married Sept. 25, 1873." And below it, November 12, 1873. John studied law and was interested in the many phases of local law governing. He left armloads of written thesis, pictures, and diaries, which were destroyed in the final clearance of his home. John D., married first, America Copeland. Divorced. No children. His second marriage was to Lydia Davis, also divorced. No children.

6-3 Eliza Ann Hill, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. Apr. 22, 1850, d. Aug. 19, 1919. Eliza Ann was born in Monroe Co., Ind., attended the rural schools and Lee's academy at Loxa, Ill. She was married to James Cather, b. ca 1844. James was a veteran of the Civil War, Co. B. 155th Ill. Inf. This couple are buried at Drummonds cemetery near Neal, Ill., Cumberland Co., Ill. James Cather and Eliza Ann (Hill) Cather had seven children, all born in Cumberland Co., Ill.

Children:

7-1 Melvin Cather, b. Nov. 7, 1873.
7-2 Eudora Cather, b. Mar. 21, 1877, d. Feb. 15, 1944.
7-3 James Cather, b. Oct. 26, 1880, d. Feb. 1, 1949.
7-4 Thomas Cather, b. Mar. 2, 1886.
7-5 Josie Cather, b. May 24, 1882, died Nov. 25, 1955
7-6 William Cather, b. Oct. 2, 1889.
7-7 Effie Cather, b. Apr. 27, 1892.

7-1 Melvin Cather, son of James and Eliza Ann (Hill) Cather, b. Nov. 7, 1873. Married Apr. 15, 1906 in Cumberland Co., to Daisy Rice, b. Dec. 8, 1887 in Cumberland Co., Ill. Melvin has lived most of his life a few miles west of Toledo, Ill., where he still resides. He is a farmer. Seven children, all born in Cumberland Co., Ill.

Children:

8-1 Edna Lavina Cather, b. Aug. 14, 1908.
8-2 Alvin Oren Cather, b. Mar. 10, 1910.
8-3 Rollie E. Cather, b. Feb. 1, 1912. Single.
8-4 Nettie Angeline Cather, b. Nov. 4, 1914.
8-5 Ruth Leanor Cather, b. June 9, 1916.
8-6 Joe Ornon Cather, b. June 6, 1920.
8-7 Otis Robert Cather, b. Oct. 2, 1923. d. June 8, 1944.

8-1 Edna Lavina Cather, b. Aug. 14, 1908. Married on Sept. 27, 1923 to Alvin Cottrell.

Child:

9-1 Claude Cottrell, b. Apr. 5, 1925, married on May 31, 1943 to Frances Hanley, b. Feb. 27, 1929.

Children:

10-1 Clara Mae Cottrell, b. Apr. 10, 1944.
10-2 Katharine Ruth Cottrell, b. Apr. 13, 1947.

Edna and Alvin Cottrell were divorced and Edna re-married on Aug. 4, 1930 to Charles Aleshire.

Children of Edna and Charles Aleshire:

9-2 Arlene Aleshire, b. Sept. 13, 1934. Married in Feb. 1949 to Eli Goodwin, b. Mar. 5, 1930.

Children:

10-1 Gail Jean Goodwin, b. Nov. 4, 1950.
10-2 Dale Dean Goodwin, b. Nov. 9, 1951. d. Apr. 1952.
10-3 Linda Dian Goodwin, b. Mar. 22, 1953.

9-3 Charles Aleshire, b. Oct. 27, 1938, d. Nov. 18, 1951.

8-2 Alvin Oren Cather, b. Mar. 10, 1910. Married Oct. 29, 1949 to Geneva Irene Lear, b. Oct. 5, 1932. Alvin is a mechanic and operates a garage west of Toledo, Ill., on R. 121 in conjunction with his brother, Rolla, who is single. Alvin had three years Army service in World War II in 436 AAA Battalion.
Children:
9-1 Margaret Jane Cather, b. Feb. 20, 1951.
9-2 Lowell Eugene Cather, b. Oct. 25, 1953.
9-3 Vickie Lynn Cather, b. Oct. 4, 1954.

8-4 Nettie Cather, b. Nov. 4, 1914, married Jan. 24, 1953 to Charles Jerints, b. Aug. 16, 1903. No children. Mr. Jerints is a contractor and carpenter.

8-5 Ruth Leanor Cather, b. June 9, 1916, married on Oct. 25, 1933 to Clint Huffman, b. Aug. 24, 1910, Clint is a son of Charles and -----(Groves) Huffman, distant cousin of Ren Huffman. Clint is a farmer and also works in his spare time at factory work. Mrs. Huffman is employed by the Frank Kern factory in Neoga, Ill. They live two and half miles south east of Bradbury, Ill.
Child:
9-1 Lois Maerene Huffman, b. Nov. 10, 1935. Married Nov. 23, 1952 to Burl Carlen, b. Jan. 10, 1935. They live in Terre Haute, Ind.
Child:
10-1 Robert Lee Carlen, b. Jan. 10, 1954.

8-6 Joe Ornon Cather, b. June 6, 1920. Married June 21, 1947 to Maxine Burton, b. Apr. 14, 1920. Joe is a factory worker.
Children:
9-1 Otis Vernon Cather, b. Oct. 18, 1948.
9-2 Betty Jane Cather, b. May 6, 1950.

8-7 Otis Robert Cather, b. Oct. 2, 1923. Single. Killed in action with the 4th Infantry, in the battle of Normandy on "D" Day. June 8, 1944.

"Gold and Green are the fields in peace,
Red are the fields in war,
Black are the fields when the cannons cease,
And White forevermore."

McCutcheon.

As copied from Eudora (Cather) Seeley family Bible.

7-2 Eudora Cather, daughter of James and Eliza Ann (Hill) Cather, b. Mar. 21, 1877, d. Feb. 15, 1944. Married John Henry Seeley, Oct. 2, 1895. John Seeley, b. Jan. 20, 1868. They lived their youth near Toledo, Ill., their married life near Lerna, Ill. They attended the Presbyterian church as did most of this large family. Burial place, Berry cemetery, one mile west of Toledo, Ill., Cumberland Co.
Children:

8-1 William McKinley Seeley, b. Aug. 6, 1896.
8-2 Josie Lenore Seeley, b. June 19, 1898.
8-3 Lulu Mae Seeley, b. Mar. 23, 1900.
8-4 George Elmer Seeley, b. Oct. 28, 1902, d. Jan. 21, 1914.
8-5 James Glen Seeley, b. Jan. 6, 1905.
8-6 Lucy Francis Seeley, b. Feb. 17, 1908.
8-7 John Clinton Seeley, b. Mar. 12, 1910.
8-8 Dorothy Oma Seeley, b. Feb. 22, 1912.
8-9 Flossie Seeley, b. May 5, 1918.

8-1 Wm. McKinley Seeley, son of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Aug. 6, 1896, married Nov. 11, 1925 to Lucille Drum, Coles Co., b. June 23, 1906. The Seeley family belong to the Church of Christ and live south of Charleston, Ill., on a farm in the Kickapoo Creek neighborhood.
Children:
9-1 Catherine Seeley, b. May 14, 1926.
9-2 Francis Ellen Seeley, b. May 15, 1928.
9-3 Charles Seeley, Feb. 4, 1930. Single.
9-4 Frank Seeley, b. Aug. 9, 1933. Single. Serving in the Armed Forces.

9-1 Catherine Seeley, b. May 14, 1926, married on June 6, 1947 to Harold Dennis, b. Sept. 19, 1922. They live in Charleston, Ill.
Child:
10-1 Raymond Eugene Dennis, b. Sept. 26, 1948.

9-2 Francis Ellen Seeley, b. May 15, 1928, married Feb. 16, 1946 to Charles Eugene Morgan, b. Feb. 10, 1928. They live in Mattoon, Ill.
Children:
10-1 Connie Jean Morgan, b. Oct. 20, 1946.
10-2 Julia Kay Morgan, b. May 19, 1950.
10-3 Joyce Ann Morgan, b. May 11, 1952.
10-4 Deborah Ellen, b. Nov. 24, 1954.

8-2 Josie Lenore Seeley, daughter of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. June 19, 1898. Married Frank Bohlander of Lerna, Ill., on Sept. 18, 1917. Frank was born Jan. 24, 1896. Frank and Josie Bohlander are both ardent flower lovers and growers. Their entire huge yard is one garden of flowers. They are their love, and the bower of bloom from early spring till fall delights the eye of all passer-by. They have no children.

8-3 George Elmer Seeley, son of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Oct. 28, 1902, d. June 21, 1914 in a tragic gun accident where the gun was not supposed to be loaded. The little boy had gone by train from Janesville to Toledo, Ill., to visit relatives. Due to some sort of premonition on his mother's part, he was urged not to visit at this particular relative. But boy-like, Elmer wanted to play with his cousins and in playing cowboy or Indian with an "unloaded" gun, it exploded and 12 year old Elmer was fatally wounded.

Data supplied by Mrs. Lulu Mae Marshall, Janesville, Ill.

8-4 Lulu Mae Seeley, daughter of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Mar. 23, 1900. Married Feb. 10, 1922 to Daniel Marshall b. Jan. 27, 1891. They are members of the Presbyterian faith but attend various churches as have moved about considerably. Mr. Marshall is a railroad employee.
Children:
9-1 Henry Varderman Marshall, b. Nov. 17, 1924.
9-2 Stella Irene Marshall, b. Feb. 17, 1926.
9-3 Esther Marshall, b. Aug. 5, 1927, d. 1929.
9-4 Ace Edward Marshall, b. June 6, 1929.
9-5 Girty Mae Marshall, b. May 20, 1930.
9-6 James William Marshall, b. Mar. 23, 1932, d. Dec. 1940.
9-7 Grace Marshall, b. June 19, 1933.
9-8 Dorothy Ida Marshall, b. Feb. 18, 1936.
9-9 John Lester Marshall, b. July 3, 1939.
9-10 Martha Ann Marshall, b. May 26, 1940. 8-9-10 are still in school and single.

9-1 Henry Varderman Marshall, son of Daniel and Lulu Mae (Seeley) Marshall, b. Nov. 17, 1924, married Elizabeth Totten, b. Apr. 16, 1928.
Children:
10-1 Sue Ann Marshall, b. July 5, 1945.
10-2 Henry Jonathon Marshall, b. June 30, 1949.

9-2 Stella Irene Marshall, daughter of Daniel and Lulu Mae (Seeley) Marshall, b. Feb. 17, 1926, married Nov. 22, 1948 to Alfred Runner of Mattoon, Ill., b. Dec. 10, 1924.
Children:
10-1 Beverly Jean Runner, b. Mar. 15, 1949.
10-2 Kathy June Runner, b. Dec. 20, 1953.

9-4 Ace Edward Marshall, son of Daniel and Lulu Mae (Seeley Marshall, b. June 6, 1929. Married May 26, 1951 to Velma Tucker, b. July 2, 1932.
Child:
10-1 Judy Annette Marshall, b. Apr. 15, 1953.

9-5 Girty Mae Marshall, daughter of Daniel and Lulu Mae (Seeley) Marshall, b. May 22, 1930, married Sept. 3, 1950 to Donald Trigg.
Children:
10-1 Joseph Dale Trigg, b. July 23, 1951.
10-2 David Trigg, b. Mar. 8, 1953.

9-7 Grace Marshall, daughter of Daniel and Lulu Mae (Seeley) Marshall, b. June 19, 1933. Married Jan. 20, 1953, to Richard Brown. No children.

8-5 James Glen Seeley, son of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Jan. 6, 1905. Married Dec. 25, 1925 to Ruby Starwalt, b. Nov. 28, 1906.
Child:
9-1 James Alexander Seeley, b. Aug. 1, 1927. Married Aug. 6, 1947, to Wanda Bolin, b. Oct. 22, 1930.
Children:
10-1 Paula Darlene Seeley, b. Apr. 13, 1953.
10-2 Rosemary Seeley, b. Dec. 19, 1954. Mattoon Hospital. James served in the Armed Forces at Fort Dix, New Jersey. 1945.

8-6 Lucy Francis Seeley, daughter of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Feb. 17, 1908. Married Nov. 7, 1926 to James Kenneth Phipps, b. Jan. 11, 1909, near Janesville, Ill.
Child:
9-1 Phyllis Lee Phipps, b. Sept. 21, 1931. Married Feb. 12, 1950 to Richard Laymon Berry, b. Jan. 1, 1930.
Children:
10-1 Mark Richard Berry, b. July 19, 1952.
10-2 Karen Kay Berry, b. Oct. 29, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Phipps live at 724 S. Stone St., Decatur, Ill. Mrs. Phipps is a teacher in the Decatur, Ill., schools.

8-7 John Clinton Seeley, son of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Mar. 12, 1910. Married Feb. 8, 1936 to Martha Ann Sullivan. John Seeley is foreman on the Nickle Plate R.R. at Lerna, Ill.
Child:
9-1 Ronald Seeley, b. May 23, 1937.

8-8 Dorothy Oma Seeley, daughter of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. Feb. 22, 1912. Married Ralph Logan, Arcola, Ill., farmer. No children.

8-9 Flossie Seeley, daughter of John and Dora (Cather) Seeley, b. May 5, 1918. Married Dec. 25, 1936 to Harold Highland, of Lerna, Ill. Harold, b. Apr. 7, 1916. The Highlands live in Champaign, Ill.
Children:
9-1 Kay Annette Highland, b. Sept. 15, 1941.
9-2 Steven Highland, b. June 14, 1946.

7-3 James Cather, Jr., son of Jamesa and Eliza (Hill) Cather, b. in Cumberland Co, Ill., Oct. 26, 1880. d. Feb. 1, 1949. Married the spring of 1899 to Emma Seeley also born in Cumberland Co., Sept. 5, 1879, a cousin of John Seeley who married Eudora Cather. Emma d. June 15, 1941. James Cather was a farmer.
Child:

8-1 Vera Cather, b. Jan. 30, 1900, married on May 25, 1918 to Ren Huffman, b. Cumberland Co., on Oct. 4, 1897. Son of Peter and Catherine (Sparks) Huffman. Mr. Huffman is a farmer and has a very attractive farm home on Muddy Creek close by where the old Olive church once stood, two and one half miles northwest of Toledo, Ill. Vera (Cather) Huffman has a love of flowers and growing them, as have so many of this family.
Child:

9-1 Maynard Ellis Huffman, b. in Cumberland Co., Ill., June 18, 1919. Married Apr. 29, 1942 to Miss Edna Lee Carmack of Richland, North Carolina, a village on northwest Onslow Co. Maynard is a veteran of World War II and a successful farmer in Cumberland Co., and have one son.
Child:

10-1 Julian Maynard Huffman, b. in Effingham hospital, Effingham, Co., Ill., on July 24, 1948.

7-4 Thomas Cather, son of James and Eliza (Hill) Cather, b. Mar. 2, 1886, married on Dec. 11, 1909 to Lena Frances Montgomery, b. Mar. 28, 1889 in Coles Co., Ill. Thomas in his youth taught school for three years. Then deserted the rod and rule for the Illinois Central R.R., where he has been employed for over 40 years. At present he is the agent at Neoga, Ill., where they have lived for nine years, but have been located in various places during his 40 years service. In 1920 and 21 when Chanute Field Air Base was being opened he was agent at Chanute. For 15 years he was stationed Aetna, south of Mattoon, Ill., where he also served as postmaster of this small town. They are members of the Neoga Presbyterian church where Thomas has been an Elder of the church for the past six years.
Child:

8-1 Robert Montgomery Cather, b. Coles Co., Ill., Feb. 22, 1921. Married Aug. 7, 1943 to Maxine Kimery of Neoga, Ill., born July 3, 1921. Robert entered the Army Air Corps in 1942 served in the second World War, was overseas twice and was a bombardier. His present rating is Major. Since the war, Robert has finished his army training and is now a pilot, bombardier and radar man. The following is an item concerning Lt. Rob't Cather and his army career.

"For split second action in resetting his bomb sight after a direct hit on his plane, and striking the target, Lt. Rob't Cather of Fisher, Ill., Bombardier, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross at a 15th Air Force Base in Italy. His citation reads: "By his outstanding professional skill and determination in overcoming adverse bombing conditions, Lt. Cather has reflected great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States."

Lt. Cather told a 15th Air Force reporter---"About 10

miles from the target I took over control of the ship. Enemy flak was already coming. With two minutes to go, there was a loud crash and the plane seemed to leap high into the air. I saw the automatic pilot cables had been shot away by a direct hit and quickly ordered the pilot to take over and try to place the target. With 30 seconds to go I worked to reset the bomb sight, finally let the bombs go and ran to the window to see what I had hit. I didn't know if I had calculated right until I saw trucks flying through the air and great columns of smoke coming up."

Lt. Cather received his training at the Bombardiers school at Midland, Texas. He is a graduate of Mattoon High School and Eastern Illinois State Teachers college, at Charleston, Ill. The Cather's have one son, born at Brooke Gen. Hospital at San Antonio, Texas.

Child:

9-1 Philip Edward Cather, b. July 13, 1947.
Major and Mrs. Robert Cather live at 307 4th St., West Barksdale Air Force Base, Shreveport, La.

Compiled by Mrs. Sarah (Jenkins) Towles, and Emery Jenkins, as taken from the Jenkins family Bible.

(Josie Cather Jenkins died Nov. 25,1955.)

7-5 Josie Cather, daughter of James Polk and Eliza Ann (Hill) Cather, b. May 24, 1882 in Sumpter Twp., Cumberland Co., near Toledo, Ill. Married on July 17, 1898 to William Emery Jenkins, b. Jan. 2, 1878 in Springpoint Twp., Cumberland Co., Ill. Josie and Emery lived their early married life in Cumberland Co., close by the old Lockout school, and are Methodists. Later, they moved to Coles Co., Lerna, Ill., and have raised their large family there. These ten children, are connected with a number of churches, Baptist, Christian, United Brethern and Presbyterian.
10 children, 9 born in Cumberland Co., the 10th in Coles Co., Ill.
Children:

8-1 Dessie Mary Jenkins, b. Apr. 8, 1899.
8-2 James Ervin Jenkins, b. Nov. 13, 1901, d. Jan. 23, 1927.
8-3 Grace Irene Jenkins, b. Oct. 22, 1903.
8-4 Thomas William Jenkins, b. May 20, 1905.
8-5 Charles Emery Jenkins, b. May 4, 1907.
8-6 Sara Eliza Jenkins, b. April 19, 1909.
8-7 John Wesley Jenkins, b. June 18, 1915.
8-8 Dorothy Jenkins, b. Apr. 6, 1918.
8-9 Doris Jenkins, b. Apr. 6, 1918, twin of Dorothy.
8-10 Alyce Virginia Jenkins, b. Sept. 4, 1922.

8-1 Dessie Mary Jenkins, b. Apr. 8, 1899, married on Aug. 14, 1915 in Coles Co., to Audrey O. Hall, b. Apr. 29, 1894. For several years Dessie and Rastus, as Audrey A., was called, lived on the farm near Farmington, Ill. They moved to Charleston, Ill., on Mar. 1, 1920. Rastus was Employed in a garage operated by Titus and Blackford until 1935 when he was nominated as a candidate for Highway Commissioner of Charleston Twp., and completed 20 years service on April 5, 1955. When he was elected to the office of Supervisor for Charleston Twp., Coles Co.

They live at 762 8th St., Charleston, Ill. They are parents of two children, born in Coles Co., Ill.
Children:

9-1 Audrey Helen Hall, b. Nov. 5, 1916. On Sept. 8, 1937 Helen was married to George W. Adair, b. Mar. 2, 1915. Helen and George were married in Putnam Co., Greencastle, Ind. Mr. Adair is a Lt. Col, in U.S. Army and is at present stationed at Fort Scott, Presidio, San Francisco, Calif., with 16 and half years of service behind him. They are Methodists and Lt. Col., Adair is a 3rd degree Mason.
Children:
10-1 Elizabeth Ann Adair, b. July 30, 1938.
10-2 William Hall Adair, b. July 19, 1940.
10-3 Robert Vincent Adair, b. Feb. 6, 1942.
10-4 James Lawrence Adair, b. Apr. 22, 1943.

9-2 Harold Dale Hall, b. Aug. 15, 1918. Married Mildred Baker, b. Dec. 15, 1919 in Fayette Co., Ill. They were married Dec. 24, 1939 in Marion Co., Alma, Ill. Harold graduated from the Charleston High School and Eastern Illinois State College at Charleston, receiving his B.S. degree. His Masters degree received from U. of I., at Urbana, Ill., and in June, 1955 will complete work for his Doctorate. He has an assistantship in the Bureau of Educational Research at the U. of I., for this year. During World War II, Harold was with the 15th Air Force stationed in Italy and completed his 44 missions on B-24 bomber over Italy as a radio operator and aerial gunner. Two children born in Coles Co., Ill.
Children:
10-1 Kirby Dale Hall, b. Dec. 11, 1944.
10-2 Bradley Baker Hall, b. July 12, 1951.

8-2 James Ervin Jenkins, son of Emery and Josie (Cather) Jenkins, b. Nov. 13, 1901, d. Jan. 23, 1927 of appendicitis. He was married Nov. 14, 1924 to Sylvia Starwalt, daughter of James and Anna (Boruff) Starwalt, b. Sept. 23, 1902 in Cumberland Co. A daughter was born after James' death.
Child:

9-1 Dolores Ruth Jenkins, b. Feb. 23, 1927 in Cumberland county. Married in Coles Co., on Jan. 19, 1947 to Kenneth Norviel, b. in Cumberland Co., Aug. 2, 1923. Kenneth is employed by Garwood Industry in Mattoon, Ill., as a Scheduler. Garwood produces Industrial supplies, mine, mill, contractor and railroad equipment. Kenneth was in the Armed Forces overseas, during World War II, and was a Sgt., in the Army in Asiatic and Pacific theatres. Dolores and Kenneth are both High School graduates. They live in Lerna, Ill., and have two children:
Children:
10-1 Sandra Jo Norviel, b. in Coles Co., Sept. 12, 194[illegible]
10-2 Linda Kay Norviel, b. in Coles Co., Sept. 14, 195[illegible]

[illegible] live at [illegible] St., Charleston, Ill. [illegible] of [illegible] born [illegible], 1914.

Children:

9-4 Agnes Helen Kelly, b. Nov. 9, 1915. [illegible] Helen was married to George [illegible], [illegible], 1940. [illegible] and [illegible] were married at [illegible], [illegible], Ill. [illegible] is a 1st Lt. in U.S. Army [illegible] at [illegible] Kelly [illegible]. [illegible] and [illegible], [illegible] 1st [illegible] sister.

Children:

10-1 Marjorie Ann Kelly, b. July 26, 1943.

10-2 [illegible] Kelly, b. July [illegible], 1944.

10-3 [illegible] Kelly, b. [illegible], 1946.

10-4 [illegible] Kelly, b. [illegible], 1949.

9-5 Harold Dale Kelly, b. Sept. 12, 1920, married [illegible], b. [illegible], 1922 [illegible]. They were married [illegible], 1943 in [illegible]. Harold graduated from the Charleston High School and [illegible] Illinois State College at Charleston, [illegible] his B.S. degree. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Harold was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] children [illegible] [illegible].

Children:

10-1 [illegible] Kelly, b. [illegible], 1944.

10-2 [illegible] Kelly, b. [illegible], 1946.

9-6 James [illegible] Kelly, [illegible] of [illegible], b. [illegible], 1922 [illegible]. He was married [illegible], 1943 to [illegible] [illegible] of James and [illegible], b. [illegible], 1924 in Cumberland Co. [illegible].

Child:

10-1 [illegible] Kelly, b. [illegible], 1944 [illegible] [illegible] in Cumberland Co., [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Children:

10-1 [illegible]

10-2 [illegible]

8-3 Grace Irene Jenkins, daughter of Emery and Josie (Cather) Jenkins, b. in Cumberland Co., Ill., Oct. 22, 1903. Married on Mar. 7, 1922 to John Franklin Poe in Effingham, CO., Ill. Mr. Poe was born Nov. 30, 1900 in Clay Co., Ill. They are now living near Grandin, Mo., where Mr. Poe is engaged in farming after 18 years of service in Chicago, Ill., with the Sherwin-Williams Paint Co., leaving there in Dec. 1943.
Child:
9-1 Eula Larraine Poe, b. Aug. 2, 1924, married on July 20, 1940 to Loren Hummel, b. Apr. 29, 1924 (ca) in Effingham Co., Ill. This couple own their own home in Cook Co., Ill., Chicago Heights vicinity, where Loren is a mechanic.
Children:
10-1 Dennis Keith Hummel, b. Apr. 8, 1942.
10-2 Joseph Lynn Hummel, b. Nov. 25, 1943.
10-3 Jeanette Rae Hummel, b. June 23, 1945.
10-4 Carol Louise Hummel, b. Sept. 17, 1948.

8-4 Thomas Jenkins, son of Emery and Josie (Cather) Jenkins, b. May 20, 1905. Married on Mar. 2, 1924, to Flossie Landrus, daughter of Hiram J. and Hedora (Williams) Landrus, b. Mar. 1, 1905. They live at 222 3rd St., Charleston, Ill. Tom is a car inspector on the railroad at Charleston. Flossie is employed by the Brown Shoe Co.
Children:
9-1 Eleanor Jenkins, b. Aug. 26, 1924, married in 1945 to Everett Moutray of Mattoon, Ill., b. Oct. 4, 1925. Everett was in World War II and was severely injured, losing one limb. They live in Charleston, Ill., and have three children.
Children:
10-1 Dennis Moutray, b. Sept. 3, 1949.
10-2 Marcia Moutray, b. May 24, 1952.
10-3 Carroll Jean Moutray, b. Mar. 16, 1954.
9-2 Robert Lee Jenkins, b. June 9, 1925, d. June 11, 1925.
9-3 Wendell Jenkins, b. June 26, 1926. Married in 1947 to Veronica Walsch.
Children:
10-1 Donald T. Jenkins, b. June 21, 1948.
10-2 Doris Kay Jenkins, b. Jan. 27, 1950.
10-3 Robert Lee Jenkins, b. July 23, 1951.
10-4 John Wayne Jenkins, b. Nov. 9, 1952.
10-5 Wendell Andrew Jenkins, b. Dec. 18, 1954.
Wendell is a farmer and lives on R. 1, Ellsinore, Mo.

9-4 Donald Jenkins, b. June 29, 1928, married in 1947 to Frances Graf. Donald is a farmer and lives on Charleston, Ill., R. 1.
Children:
10-1 Jerold Jenkins, b. Sept. 10, 1948.
10-2 Thomas R. Jenkins, b. July 31, 1949
10-3 Sharon Jenkins, b. Apr. 21, 1951.

8-5 Charles Emery Jenkins, son of Emery and Josie (Cather) Jenkins, b. May 4, 1907 near Toledo, Ill. Married on July 17, 1926 to Clara Elizabeth Starwalt, b. Sept. 3, 1908, in Cottonwood Twp., a daughter of James and Anna (Boruff) Starwalt, at Johnstown, Ill. Charles and Clara attend Hopewell Baptist church at Johnstown but live at Lerna, Ill., where their four children were born. Clara is now post mistress at the Lerna Post Office. Charles is associated with Oren Gammill General Mchdse., store in Lerna.
Children:
9-1 Jessie May Jenkins, b. July 7, 1927.
9-2 Hilda Lee Jenkins, b. Mar. 13, 1929.
9-3 Virgil Charles Jenkins, b. July 26, 1931.
9-4 Velma Joanne Jenkins, b. Mar. 30, 1934.

9-1 Jessie May Jenkins, b. July 7, 1927, married on July 28, 1944 to Otto E. Turner, who served in the Armed Forces during World War II. Otto is a farmer.
Child:
10-1 Peggy Colleen Turner, b. June 19, 1952, Mattoon Memorial Hospital.

9-2 Hilda Lee Jenkins, b. Mar. 13, 1929, married on Mar. 28, 1948 to Everett R. Alms. Two children born in Mattoon Memorial Hospital.
Children:
10-1 Dixie Lee Alms, b. Nov. 30, 1952.
10-2 David Roy Alms, b. Aug. 30, 1954.

9-3 Virgil Charles Jenkins, b. July 26, 1931. Virgil entered the Navy of U.S., Jan. 4, 1951 at Great Lakes Training Station and was discharged about Nov. 1, 1954 in Calif. He served on the ship, Pine Island and The Boxer in 1954. Virgil was married to Suzanne Downey in Henderson Ky., on June 25, 1949. Suzanne was from the Lerna, Ill., neighborhood. They have one daughter born in Coles Co., Ill.
Child:
10-1 Christie Lynn Jenkins, b. Mar. 3, 1953.

9-4 Velma Joanne Jenkins, b. Mar. 30, 1934. Married on June 10, 1951 to Donald E. Spence. They have two children born in Coles, Ill.
Children:
10-1 Debra Joanne Spence, b. June 9, 1952.
10-2 Marcus Eugene Spence, b. June 8, 1953.

8-6 Sara Eliza Jenkins, b. Apr. 19, 1909, married July 17, 1927, Coles Co., Ill., to Raymond C. Towles. The Raymond Towles family live on a farm near Charleston, Ill., where Raymond is a conductor on the Nicle Plate R.R. Sara is a teacher in the Charleston, Ill., school unit.
Child:
9-1 Allan Ray Towles, b. Dec. 13, 1928. Married Phyllis Ann Huston, May 30, 1950.

Children of Allan Ray Towles:
10-1 Cheryl Rae Towles, b. Jan. 28, 1951.
10-2 Cindy Ann Towles, b. May 4, 1954.
Allan Ray Towles entered the Army on Aug. 24, 1948 at Fort Lawton, Wash. He was a Pvt., 1st class and connected with the Transportation Corps Personnel Center Detachment. In Dec. 1949, he was transferred to the Reserve Corps, a member of 338 Inf. Reg't. Co. C. 85th Div., better known as Custer's Div., which has a class "a" rating. Allan is now a Sgt. 1st class

8-7 John Wesley Jenkins, b. June 18, 1915. Married Ina Parkhurst on Nov. 16, 1935.
Children:
9-1 Gerald William Jenkins, b. Dec. 22, 1936.
9-2 James Ervin Jenkins, b. May 28, 1940.

8-8 Doris Jenkins, twin, b. Apr. 6, 1918. Married Charles S. Jurints on Sept. 7, 1933.
Child ren:
9-1 Charles William Jurints, b. Nov. 23, 1936. Perished.
9-2 Larry Roger Jurints, b. June 18, 1938, d. Oct. 7, 1938.
9-3 Judith Rae Jurints, b. Jan. 23, 1941.

Doris and Charles Jurints divorced Apr. 10, 1948. Doris re-married to Donald Ray Randolph, June 13, 1950. Donald Randolph works for Gen. Motors, Ind., in St. Louis, Mo. The family live in Lerna, Ill.

8-9 Dorothy Jenkins, b. Apr. 6, 1918, twin, married on Apr. 9, 1932 to Austin Nichols of Trilla, Ill., where they live on the farm and are very successful. They have five Children:
9-1 Claude Duane Nichols, b. July 23, 1932.
9-2 Marjoried Ferne Nichols, b. Nov. 20, 1933.
9-3 Wayne Neil Nichols, b. July 2, 1935.
9-4 Roger Austin Nichols, b. Oct. 27, 1939.
9-5 William Roscoe Nichols, b. May 28, 1943.

An Amusing story is told of these two good looking Jenkins twin daughters. They were as un-like as twins could be. Doris, they called "whitehead" during her school years and Dorothy, they called "Blckie" so white was Doris' hair, so black was Dorothy's. Josie (Cather) Jenkins grandfather, Thomas Hill was an identical twin brother of James Hill. There have been several sets of twins since, but never an identical pair.

8-10 Alyce Virginia Jenkins, b. Sept. 4, 1922. Born Coles Co., Ill. Married Charles Howard Shirley on Aug. 1, 1941.
Children:
9-1 Michael Sleet Shirley, b. Oct. 2, 1943.
9-2 Steven Lynn Shirley, b. May 27, 1946.

7-6 William Cather, son of James and Eliza Ann (Hill) Cather, was b. Oct. 2, 1889. Married May 12, 1917 to Minnie Bell Hardwick, b. Aug. 12, 1898. No children. Bill and Minnie live half mile south of R. 121 west of Toledo, Ill. Bill is a retired school teacher and draws a teacher's pension. He also is an expert carpenter. Some of the schools Bill taught in his 25 years steady work, and which will soon all be vanished away since the consolidation of the school system in Ill., are: White Hall, Lookout, his home school. Bluebird, Aleshire, Aetna, Grant Park, at Mattoon, Ill., Slide off, and many others.

7-7 Effie Cather, daughter of James and Eliza Ann (Hill) Cather, b. Apr. 27, 1892. Married in 1911 to John W. Borror, deceased 1946. Mrs. Borror lives in Buffalo, N.Y.
Children:
- 8-1 Elwood Borror, b. Dec. 1, 1912. Married Eve Kalos. No children.
- 8-2 Vera Borror, b. June 23, 1919. Married Eugene Schwartz. Child:
  - 9-1 Vera Schwartz, b. Aug. 16, 1939.
- 8-3 Joan Borror, b. Oct. 7, 1930. Married Michael Ferral. Children:
  - 9-1 Tony Ferral, b. Aug. 14, 1950.
  - 9-2 Michael Ferral, b. June 25, 1952.

6-5 Mary Ellen Hill, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. Dec. 30, 1854, d. July 4, 1878. She was married to George Wiseley and moved to Kansas. Ellen had two babies who perished as infants and are buried at Haggins cemetery near Bradbury, Ill., Cumberland, Co. Ellen died somewhere in Kansas and was buried there.

6-6 James Washington Hill, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. May 6, 1857, d. Dec. 11, 1908. James stayed single and lived in his farm home one and a half miles south of Johnstown. He went west during the rush into Oklahoma Territory in 1889, but unable to secure suitable land, returned to Illinois. He was of the Universalist Faith of Johnstown.

6-7 Charity E. Hill, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. Mar. 10, 1860, near Johnstown, Ill. D. Dec. 26, 1950. Burial in Lawton, Okla. Charity married George Wiseley, her dead sister, Ellen's husband. Mr. Wiseley was born in Ohio, Nov. 16, 1852. The following is copied from Charity (Hill) Wiseley's family Bible:
Children:
- 7-1 Fred Wiseley, b. Dec. 21, 1885, in Kansas City, Mo.
- 7-2 Charles Wiseley, b. Aug. 4, 1888, in Ill.
- 7-3 Earnest Wiseley, b. Oct. 10, 1890, in K.C., Mo.
- 7-4 Bertha Wiseley, b. Oct. 22, 1893 in Ill.
- 7-5 Thomas Wiseley, b. Oct. 8, 1895, in Ark.
- 7-6 Frank Wiseley, b. Oct. 20, 1898, in Ark.
- 7-7 Lizzie Wiseley, b. Sept. 13, 1900, in Ark.
- 7-8 Peter Wiseley, b. July 3, 1902, in Ark.

Children of Charity (Hill) and George Wiseley, con't.
7-9 Harry Wiseley, b. July 8, 1906, in Ark.

7-1 Fred Wiseley, son of George and Charity(Hill) Wiseley, is a farmer and cattle man near Council Hill, Okla. R.R. 1. Married.
Children:
8-1 Hilton Wiseley.
8-2 Kenneth Wiseley.
8-3 Donald Wiseley.
8-4 Shirley Wiseley.

7-2 Charles Wiseley, son of George and Charity (Hill) Wiseley, is a farmer, who lives at Medicine Park, Okla. Gen. Delivery. Married, no children.

7-3 Earnest Wiseley, son of George and Charity (Hill) Wiseley, farmer is married and lives at Lowell, Ark., R. s.
Children:
8-1 Ray Wiseley.
8-2 Thelma Wiseley.

7-4 Bertha Wiseley, daughter of George and Charity (hill) Wiselcy, married Mr. Pelle. No children. They live at 1316 S.W. 29th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

7-5 Thomas Wiseley, son of George and Charity (Hill) Wiseley, , deceased.
Children:
8-1 Ruth Wiseley, Masterson.
8-2 Retha Wiseley Robeson, lives in Calif.
8-3 Nadine Wiseley, deceased.
8-4 Letha Wiseley, Hann, living in Texas.

8-1 Ruth (Wiseley) Masterson, has three children:

9-1 Billie Ton Masterson.
9-2 Stephanie Masterson.
9-3 James Kris Masterson.

7-6 Frank Wiseley, son of George and Charity (Hill) Wiseley, farmer, lives at Medicine Park, Okla., married has one daughter. Address unknown.
Child:
8-1 Helen Wiseley.

7-7 Elixabeth Wiseley, daughter of George and Charity (Hill) Wiseley, married Mr. Hatfield and lives at Lawton, Okla., R.R. 4.
Child:
8-1 Leona Hatfield Olsen, they live in Calif.

7-8 Peter Wiseley, deceased.

7-9 Harry Wiseley, was killed in World War II. This writer has contacted Mrs. Bertha Pelle, in Okla., but have received no further information, though no doubt there is a large family of the Wiseley*Hill alliance. The family moved to Oklahoma City, Okla., and Lawton, Okla., and have lived there many years.

6-8 Joseph Holt Hill, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. May 1, 1862, d. July 4, 1941. Married on Dec. 24, 1884 to Sarah Phipps, b. Apr. 11, 1867. Sarah Phipps springs from an early pioneer family from Mass. Her ancestors coming to the Goosenest Prairie region in the early 1840's. And where she lived till she came to the old Thomas Hill farm as the bride of Joseph Hill. She lives with her daughter, Grace (Hill) Brewer, in Toledo, Ill. Joseph Hill was interested in politics and a strong Republican. He served one term as clerk of circuit court and Recorder of Cumberland Co., Ill. They own a nice farm and where the son, Vora, now lives and farms it for the family.

Children:

7-1 Vora Alvin Hill, son of Joseph and Sarah Phipps Hill, b. Jan. 4, 1886, married Dec. 5, 1918 to Edith Shull of Johnstown, Ill., b. June 10, 1888. Vora is a farmer and lives on the old Thomas Hill farm.

Child:

8-1 Elinor Elaine Hill, born July 5, 1935, in Cumberland Co., Ill. She attended the Fairplay grade school and is a graduate of the Toledo H.S., and was a student at E.I.S.T. C., for one year at Charleston, Ill. She is employed by the Stearns Manuf., Co., at Chicago. She was married on June 19, 1955, in Chicago, to Moases called "Acey" Lorenzana, a native of the Philippine Islands where he served as a Philippine Scout under Gen. McArthur during World War II. Mr. Lorenzana is a graduate engineer of the University of Mich., and is presently employed as head of the Research and Development Dep't., of Solar-Sturges Manuf. Co., of Chicago. They live in Maywood, Ill.

7-2 Grace Hill, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Phipps) Hill, b. in Cumberland Co., Ill., April 21, 1889. Married on Aug. 13, 1914 to Pete Brewer of Toledo, Ill. Divorced 1914. No children.

Grace was educated in the county rural schools then attended Eastern Illinois Normal School at Charleston, Ill. Later she became a student at the University, Valparaiso, Ind. For a few years, Grace taught in our country schools, including Brown, and Silverlake, near Trilla, Ill., in Cumberland Co., and Finch school near Charleston, Ill. From this work, Grace moved on to the Revenue Dep't., for Swift and Co., in Chicago, Ill. Then to New York where she was employed as a supervisor for Dotts advertising agency. She returned to our State Capitol at Springfield, Ill., and was employed for 18 years in various branches

of State Government including Legislature and Att'y Gen. Offices. For four years she served as Deputy County Recorder and Circuit Clerk in Cumberland Co., Ill., and was the first woman to run for office in her home county. Grace is now retired from business life and lives in a nice home in Toledo, Ill., with her mother, Sarah (Phipps) Hill. They are Methodists and attend the Toledo Methodist church.

6-9 Clement Hill, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. May 23, 1865. Married May 1, 1887, to Sarah M. "Sissie" Fulfer, b. Jan. 30, 1871. d. June 9, 1942, burial place, New Gordon cemetery near Janesville, Ill. Clement is a farmer, living all his life on part of the old Thomas Hill farm, two miles south of Johnstown, Ill. But since the summer of 1953, he has been living in the IOOF home at Mattoon. Clement has always been noted for his retentive memory. He was welcomed at any social event where entertainment was needed and enjoyed. He was always able to give recitations and any sort of declamations up to 25 and 30 verses without flaw or falter. He was still giving these lengthy versions at the age of 89 years. This Christmas time, the family tells Clement engaged in a bout of fisticuffs in the Assembly room at the IOOF Home. He was set upon by two bullies who were jealous because of Clements activities in the home garden, where he tended the growing vegetables and carried them to the kitchen for preparation for food. (Clement, well and active and enjoyed the work.) One old fellow struck at Clement, and Clement, no doubt thinking of early Johnstown, where first blow meant life and limb, or being slow was death, and destruction, rose, with an uppercut to the jaw of his adversary rolling him in a heap on the floor. About this time, a friend of the foe, dodged forward striking at Clement with his cane. Clement took the blow on his right forearm and struck with his left and piled number two on top of number one. Peace was restored and Clement retained his seat. The Hills are members of the Christian church and in the main, staunch Democrats, fighting for the right. Clement has been a member of IOOF Lodge Clear Creek, # 712 for many years.

Children:

7-1 Albert Hill, b. Mar. 9, 1888. d. Mar. 25, 1906, single.
7-2 William Earl Hill, b. Aug. 23, 1891.
7-3 Clifton L. Hill, b. Mar. 20, 1893.
7-4 Rosa Helen Hill, b. May 20, 1910.

7-2 William Earl Hill, called "Willie", b. Aug. 23, 1891, was married on Dec. 25, 1912 at Toledo, Ill., to Edna Mary Gordon, a daughter of Ell and Ida (Johnson) Gordon. They live at 1105 S. 17th St., Mattoon, Ill., where Willie is employed as a conductor and brakeman on the Illinois Central Railroad, plying between Peoria, Ill., and Evansville, Ind., has held this position for over thirty years.

The Hill family are prominent in lodge work among several are the IOOF and Rebeckahs, the Masons and Eastern Star and G.S. Tiley Lodge # 116, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, all of Mattoon, Illinois. Willie and Edna Hill are members of the First Christian church of Mattoon and are considered a progressive and delightful couple.
Children of W.E. and Edna (Gordon) Hill. Numbers one and two born in Cumberland Co., Ill.
8-1 Ida Ireene Hill, b. Oct. 3, 1913.
8-2 Albert Carl Hill, b. Jan. 28, 1917.
8-3 Betty Jane Hill, b. Sept. 19, 1925, in Coles Co.

8-1 Ida Ireene Hill, b. Oct. 3, 1913, married on June 22, 1940 at St. Louis, Mo., to Kenneth Calvin Bradley, b. Dec. 6, 1913 at Washington, Ind. Ida Ireene Bradley is a member of Geneva Rebeckah Lodge # 274 of Mattoon, Ill., and a sister of 116 Lodge # 60 Ladie's Auxilliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. Kenneth served in World War II as a Sea Bee and saw service on Iwo Jima. He is employed as book-keeper by the Frank Prahl Gravel Co., Mattoon. Ireene is employed by the Journal-Gazette of Mattoon, in the advertising department. No children.

8-2 Albert Carl Hill, b. Jan. 28, 1917, married in Yuma, Arizona on Apr. 19, 1943 to Lillian R. Eaton, b. Dec. 15, 1920. Albert is a member of IOOF Lodge # 260 and of the Geneva Rebeckah Lodge # 274 of Mattoon, Ill. Lillian is also a member of Rebeckah Lodge # 274 Mattoon. Albert served in World War II as an M.P., stationed at Calexico, Calif. He is a plumber and lives in Des Plaines, Ill., where his wife, Lillian, if Office Manager of the Living for Young Homemakers magazine in Chicago. No children.

8-3 Betty Jane Hill, b. Sept. 19, 1925, married on July 30, 1945 at Mattoon, Ill., to Warren Edmond Hagan. Warren was born Dec. 5, 1924, at Mattoon, Ill. Betty is a Rebeckah and Warren a Mason of Lodge # 260 at Mattoon. Warren was serving as a tank Comm., in Germany at the close of the World War II. At present Warren is employed as Professional Engr., for Chastain-Francis and Associates in Decatur, Ill., where the family live at 1679 Buena Vista.
Child:
9-1 Larry Warren Hagan, b. Apr. 9, 1947 in Coles Co.

7-3 Clifton Hill, son of Clement and Sissie (Fulfer) Hill, b. Mar. 20, 1893, near Johnstown, Ill., married on Sept. 10, 1913 to Rose Thompson of near Toledo, Ill. No children. Clifton is a veteran of World War I, a farmer and for many years Clifton and Rose lived on the first Thomas Hill homestead site, close by where the first log house was built on the prairie. They belong and attend faithfully the Church of Christ, at Neal, Ill. Clifton has been greatly concerned over the neglect of our pioneer's burial grounds, and was instrumental in getting old Haggins cemetery, near Bradbury, Ill., refurbished this summer. We extend our thanks to Clifton for his concern and effort.

7-4 Helen Hill, daughter of Clement and Sissie (Fulfer) Hill, by May 20, 1910. Married in Oct. 1940 to Ivan Stanberry, of Diona, Ill.
Child:
8-1 Harley Stanberry, b. Aug. 4, 1945.

6-10 Elizabeth Hill, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Mercer) Hill, b. Oct. 9, 1867, d. July 3, 1935. Married Aug. 28, 1886 to Thomas Morgan, b. Oct. 31, 1861 in Indiana, a son of Hezikiah and Mary (Snodgrass) Morgan. Elizabeth and Thomas Morgan are buried at New Gordon cemetery near Janesville, Coles Co., Ill. They attended the Church of Christ.
Tom and Lizzie operated a large fruit farm near Neal, Ill. In later years he moved to Mattoon, Ill., where he grew small fruits and on a smaller scale.
This writer will never forget the acres of ripening fruit glistening in the sun; nor the luscious dew-berries, raspberries, strawberries, a delight to any eye, and Tom Morgan could grow them extremely well. On one occasion, while visiting the Morgan home, five or six of Lizzie's brood and the same number of my mother's, chanced into the deserted berry shed to discover crates of enormous dew-berries ready to send to market. Unmindful of chaos, we sat down in a circle about several crates and proceeded to fill our tummies. We must have been about sated with berries when Lizzie and my mother walked in. What a scramble! What a melee! My mother reached for a child with one hand and shilalah with the other when Lizzie spoke up with that unusual gentleness and tolerance I have so often found in the Wright descendants: "Lena, don't touch one of them. There are a lot of berries and they were hungry. What cheaper and easier way to feed them? Let them eat all they want."
In the early 1900's it was a tremendous task to get the fruit to market and Mattoon was a long 16 or 17 miles away. They must start long before dawn to beat the sun, the mud, the rain. In the fall, I can remember seeing the growing boys going past on frosty mornings, with loads of apples, their faces pinched by icy, raw winds. A salute to these hardy sons.
Children of Tom and Lizzie (Hill) MOrgan:
7-1 Clarence Morgan, b. June 12, 1887, d. Apr. 5, 1949.
7-2 Jesse Morgan, b. Oct. 3, 1888.

Children of Tom and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, con't.

7-3 Vernon Morgan, b. May 28, 1890, d. 1951.
7-4 Charles Morgan, b. May 30, 1892, d. Jan. 24, 1951.
7-5 Mary Jane, "Maidie" Morgan, b. Oct. 31, 1894.
7-6 Sarah Ellen Morgan, b. June 1, 1897, d. Nov. 31, 1897.
7-7 Thomas Morgan, b. June 15, 1902, d. Dec. 19, 1934.
7-8 Olive Morgan, b. Nov. 2, 1904. ~~D.Dec.27,1955.~~ Husband died.
7-9 John Morgan, b. Mar. 12, 1908.

Compiled by Mrs. Clarence Morgan, Mattoon, Illinois.

7-1 Clarence Morgan, son of Thomas and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, b. June 12, 1887, d. Apr. 5, 1949. Married on June 3, 1906 to Mary Angeline Cornell, b. June 7, 1889, near Neal, Ill. They lived for some years on the farm near Neal, and engaged in the fruit business. They then moved to Mattoon, Ill., where he continued with a fruit market. Clarence is buried at Dodge Grove cemetery in Mattoon, Ill. As so many of the Morgans are. They attend the Christian church there.

Children:

8-1 Clara Mae Morgan, b. June 30, 1907.
8-2 Hattie Lucille Morgan, b. Oct. 14, 1907, d. Jan. 15, 1911.
8-3 Clarence Morgan, Jr., b. Oct. 14, 1912.
8-4 Minnie Elizabeth Morgan, b. Sept. 28, 1915. Single.
8-5 Mary Alice Morgan, b. Aug. 31, 1918, single.
8-6 Harry Stephan Morgan, b. June 15, 1921.
8-7 Robert Lloyd Morgan, b. Aug. 31, 1924, single.

8-1 Clara Mae Morgan, b. June 30, 1907, married Oct. 8, 1932 to Harlow Harvey Spaulding of Mattoon, Ill.

Children:

9-1 Karen Sue Spaulding, b. Sept. 14, 1939.
9-2 Linda Lou Spaulding, b. Nov. 5, 1940.

8-3 Clarence Morgan, Jr., b. Oct. 14, 1912, married Jan. 9, 1937 to Dorothy Hildred Louthan. Clarence Jr., and wife live in Mattoon, Ill., where Clarence operates a fruit and vegetable market on Dewitt Ave.

Children:

9-1 Robert Lynn Morgan, b. May 13, 1939.
9-2 Danny Lee Morgan, b. Apr. 14, 1947. d. same day.
9-3 Cathy Jean Morgan, b. Sept. 15, 1949.

8-6 Harold Stephan Morgan, b. June 15, 1921. Married Sept. 3, 1949 to Deva Modesta Kibler.

Children:

9-1 Gina Ann Morgan, b. Sept. 29, 1951.
9-2 Jay Stephen Morgan, b. May 24, 1954.

7-2 Jesse Morgan, son of Thomas and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, b. Oct. 3, 1888. Married Dec. 18, 1908 to Emma Retta Blair in Cumberland Co., Ill., b. Sept. 11, 1891. Jesse is a retired N.Y. Central employee of 23 years. He is now on a disabled pension; does a little farming and lives near Neoga, Ill. His farm is on the proposed site of the new Mattoon, Ill., dam and lake project, proposed to secure adequate water supply for Mattoon and vicinity during drouths to come. It's present lake is dry and tourists drove over the lake bed this past two summers. (1953-1954) Some residents of the area farmed gardens in the present lake bed, this past summer. Four children of Jesse and Emma (Blair) Morgan:

8-1 Alfred B. Morgan, b. Sept. 10, 1909.
8-2 Violet Pansy Morgan, b. June 5, 1911.
8-3 Edith Catherine Morgan, b. June 27, 1919.
8-4 Frieda Olive Morgan, b. Sept. 5, 1923.

8-1 Alfred B. Morgan, b. Sept. 10, 1909. Married June 1, 1929 to Barbara Lee Sullivan, deceased Jan. 1, 1930.
Child:
9-1 John Alfred Morgan, b. Dec. 17, 1929, d. Jan. 24, 1947. Alfred B. Morgan, married a second time on Nov. 3, 1933, Coles Co., to Grace Irene Donley, b. July 10, 1907. They reside at 1500 Shelby Ave., Mattoon, Ill.

8-2 Violet Pansy Morgan, b. June 5, 1911, married Oct. 1, 1927 in Champaign Co., Ill., to Byron J. Nelms, b. Feb. 11, 1907. Byron J. Nelms and family live at 1304 Thomasville Rd., Tallahasse, Fla., after living in Jordon, in the Holy Land for two years.
Children:
9-1 Lois Romola Nelma, b. Dec. 28, 1929. Married Daniel Clyde Coleman, b. Apr. 24, 1928. Married Mar. 14, 1950 in Leon Co., Tallahasse, Fla.
Child:
10-1 Cynthia Louise Coleman, b. Jan. 12, 1954. The Daniel Coleman family live at 243 York St., New River, Jacksonville, North Carolina.

9-2 Barbara Ann Nelms, b. Jan. 7, 1932. Married on Mar. 8, 1954 in Madison Co., Troy, Ill., to Richard James Woods b. Aug. 18, 1932. R.J. Woods is serving in Armed Forces. Is a Cpl. 1270193 "D" Co., 2nd B.N. M.C.R.D. Parris, Island, South Carolina.
Child:
10-1 Marcia Elaine Woods, b. Nov. 6, 1954.

8-3 Edith Catherine Morgan, b. June 27, 1919. Married June 22, 1940 in Coles Co., to Lowell Lester Washburn, b. July 20, 1914. d. in an automobile accidnt Nov. 25, 1952. Lester Washburn was enroute to Charleston, Ill., where his church of Christ group were putting on a church play, when his car was struck by a drunken driver and Mr. Washburn was fatally injured.
Children:
9-1 Beverly Louise Washburn, b. May 25, 1947.
9-2 Rebecca Susan Washburn, b. Feb. 3, 1952. They live at 912 N. 12th St., Mattoon, Ill.

8-4 Frieda Olive Morgan, b. Sept. 5, 1923. Married Dec. 9, 1944 to E. Gardner Benedict, b. June 20, 1914. They were married in St. Augustine, Fla., St. Johns Co. They now live at 2340 Victory Pkwy., Cinn., Ohio. No children.

Compiled by Mrs. Myrtle Morgan and Marjorie (Myers) Morgan.

7-3 Isaac Vernon Morgan, son of Thomas and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, b. May 28, 1890, d. 1951 of a heart attack at the home of his son, Albert Morgan, in Lerna, Ill. He had gone to bring his aunt Deem (Morgan) Dallas to his home for a visit and was stricken with this heart attack while driving on the highway. He managed to drive to his son's home in Lerna, Ill., and succumbed a short while later. Vernon was married Mar. 2, 1912 to Myrtle May Edwards of Toledo, Ill., b. Nov. 15, 1893. Vernon was a minister of the Church of Christ. Burial place, Dodge Grove cemetery, Mattoon, Ill.
Children:

8-1 Lilly Myrtle Morgan, b. Dec. 20, 1912.
8-2 Albert Vernon Morgan, b. Sept. 30, 1914, Coles Co., Ill.

8-1 Lilly Myrtle Morgan, b. Dec. 20, 1912, married on Aug. 17, 1930 to John Edgar Kelly, b. Sept. 13, 1913. They live in Fla.
Children:
9-1 Sylvia Maureen Kelly, b. Feb. 24, 1933. Married Philip W. White.
Child:
10-1 Dennis Carroll White, b. Nov. 10, 1954.
9-2 Lulu Jean Kelly, b. Feb. 18, 1935. Married Aug. 10, 1951 to Carlous Poole, a native of Fla.
Children:
10-1 Richard Carlous Poole, b. Mar. 1952.
10-2 Rhilip Warren Poole, b. May, 1954.
9-3 Patricia Lynn Kelly, b. Oct. 9, 1941. Single.

8-2 Albert Vernon Morgan, b. Sept. 30, 1914, in Coles Co., Ill. Married Oct. 23, 1937 to Marjorie Florence Meyers of Charleston, Ill., b. Dec. 6, 1917. They were married in Champaign, Ill. They live in Lerna, Ill., and have a nice home there. Albert is with the Garwood Industry at Mattoon, Ill. Children born in Coles Co., Ill.
Children:
9-1 Judith Gayle Morgan, b. Jan. 9, 1939.
9-2 Sue Anne Morgan, b. July 13, 1942.
9-3 Richard Vernon Morgan, b. May 11, 1945, in St. Louis, Mo.

7-4 Charles Morgan, son of Thomas and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, b. May 30, 1892. d. Jan. 24, 1951. Married Ida Norviel of Greenup, Ill., who taught school at the old Hickory Corner school near Bradbury, Ill.
Children:

8-1 Donald Morgan, married Lorene Jacobs, of St. Louis, Mo.
Children:
9-1 Ronald Morgan.
9-2 Marilyn Morgan.
9-3 Gale Morgan.

8-2 Leonard Morgan, married Adele Jergens, and live in Minneapolis, Minn.
Children:
9-1 Randy Charles Morgan.
9-2 Roger Scott Morgan.

8-3 Lawrence Morgan, married Betty Rainard, live in Chicago Heights. No children.

7-5 Mary Jane "Maidie" Morgan, daughter of Thomas and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, b. Oct. 31, 1894. Married Jan. 6, 1912, to George William Sewell, b. Apr. 30, 1893. They have lived most of their married life in Mattoon, Ill., where they operated the Sewell Motel and restaurant. They are retired and live on a farm on the old State Road about one mile south of Mattoon, Ill.

Children:
8-1 Marie M. Sewell, b. Feb. 25, 1915.
8-2 Ethel Rhodema Sewell, b. Oct. 3, 1912.
8-3 Lorene Sewell, b. Sept. 24, 1916.
8-4 Ivan Vernon Sewell, b. Dec. 16, 1918, d. Oct. 11, 1948.
8-5 George Wayne Sewell, b. Feb. 15, 1935. Single.

8-1 Marie Sewell, b. Feb. 25, 1915, married on July 29, 1934 to Gerald C. Fonner, b. Dec. 20, 1913. They live at Cays, Ill.
Children:
9-1 Janice Marie Fonner, b. Mar. 17, 1937.
9-2 Jerry Charles Fonner, b. Apr. 15, 1941.
9-3 Jane Danelle Fonner, b. Dec. 3, 1944.
9-4 Joseph Ivan Fonner, b. Nov. 24, 1948.

8-2 Ethel Rhodema Sewell, b. Oct. 3, 1912. Married on May 11, 1942 to Charles Francis Sauve, b. May 22, 1904. One adopted son:
9-1 James David Sauve, b. Nov. 4, 1947.

8-3 Lorene Sewell, b. Sept. 24, 1916. Married Feb. 26, 1938 to Lucian Hale Clifton, b. Oct. 4, 1910. Mr. Clifton is a salesman for the Ford Automobile Co., in Mattoon, Ill., and lives at 1408 S. 18th St.
Children:
9-1 Gary Sheridan Clifton, b. Sept. 5, 1938.
9-2 Charles Lucian Clifton, b. July 1, 1950.

7-7 Thomas Morgan, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Hill) Morgan, b. June 15, 1902, d. Dec. 19, 1934. Married ca 1923 to Mildred Darnbarger, of Charleston, Ill., b. Nov. 2, 1904. Thomas is buried at Roselawn cemetery, Charleston, Ill.
Children:

8-1 Earl Morgan, b. July 29, 1924, on July 20, 1947 he was married to Patricia Franklin, b. May 26, 1926.
Child:
9-1 John Earl Morgan, b. June 17, 1948.

8-2 James Thomas Morgan, b. June 10, 1926. Married Sept. 1947 to Patricia Robinson, b. in Sept. 1930.
Children:
9-1 Rex Thomas Morgan, b. Oct. 27, 1948.
9-2 Debora Jean, b. Sept. 16, 1951.
9-3 Michael Kirk Morgan, b. Dec. 16, 1952.

7-8 Olive Morgan, daughter of Thomas and Lizzie (Hill) Morgan, b. Nov. 2, 1904. Married Nov. 25, 1925 to Bell Nelms, b. Apr. 19, 1897. They live on the farm on Mattoon, Ill., R. 1. and belong to the Church of Christ. ~~Olive died Dec. 27, 1955~~. Buried in RestHaven Cemetery, near Mattoon, Ill.
Children: → d. DEC. 27, 1955

8-1 Howard Nelms, b. May 19, 1927.
8-2 Leland Nelms, b. May 11, 1928.
8-3 Richard Nelms, b. Nov. 17, 1929, d. 1948.
8-4 Wayne Nelms, b. Dec. 29, 1930.
8-5 Shirley Nelms, b. Sept. 6, 1934.
8-6 Sharon Nelms, b. Jan. 13, 1939. Single.
8-7 Saundra Nelms, b. June 5, 1943. Single.

8-1 Howard Nelms, b. May 19, 1927, married on Mar. 12, 1946 to Dorothy Morris. Howard served in the Navy during World War II. No children.

8-2 Leland Nelms, b. May 11, 1928. Married on June 9, 1945 to Josephine Grezlak, of Milwaukee, Wis. Leland served as Mess Hall cook and Manager in the Army during World War II.
Children:
9-1 Billy Nelms, b. 1946.
9-2 Robert Wayne Nelms, b. 1948.
9-3 Susan Ray Nelms, twin of Robert, b. 1948.

8-4 Wayne Nelms, b. Dec. 29, 1930. Married on May — 1950, to Dorothy Rose of Vancouver, Canada. Wayne was in the Air Corps Radar Service, World War II.
Children:
9-1 Allen Nelms, b. Feb. 1950.
9-2 Barbara Nelms, b. Jan. 1951.
9-3 Brenda Nelms, b. Mar. 25, 1954.

8-5 Shirley Nelms, b. Sept. 6, 1934. Married on Oct. 25, 1952 to Benny Hale, b. May 15, 1931. Benny and Shirley have been living in Honolulu until recently. He has served four years with the Navy with a YN/2 rating.

Children of Benny and Shirley (Nelms) Hale:
9-1 Michael Hale, b. July 12, 1953.
9-2 Matthew Wayne Hale, b. Sept. 6, 1954.

7-9 John Morgan, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Hill) Morgan, b. Mar. 12, 1908. On July 23, 1927 married Olive Edna Upton, b. Sept. 26, 1907. John and Olive Morgan own property and live in Trilla, Ill., but are employed in Mattoon, Illinois.
Children:
8-1 Charles Eugene Morgan, b. Feb. 10, 1928.
8-2 Francis Irene Morgan, b. Apr. 20, 1930.

8-1 Charles Eugene Morgan, b. Feb. 10, 1928. Married on Feb. 16, 1946 to Francis Ellen Seeley of near Charleston, Ill., daughter of Wm. McKinley Seeley. Francis was b. May 16, 1928.
Children:
9-1 Connie Jean Morgan, b. Oct. 20, 1946.
9-2 Julia Kay Morgan, b. May 19, 1950.
9-3 Joyce Ann Morgan, b. May 11, 1952.
9-4 Deborah Ellen Morgan, b. Nov. 24, 1954.

8-2 Francis Irene Morgan, b. Apr. 20, 1930. Married on Jan. 21, 1949 to Duane Beals, b. Nov. 23, 1929, son of Leonard and Emma Jean (Hayes) Beals.
Children:
9-1 Vicki Colleen Beals, b. Sept. 16, 1950.
9-2 Marcella Kay Beals, b. Sept. 30, 1953.

5-3 James Hill, son of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, born Monroe Co. Indiana, Nov. 29, 1822, died Mar. 11, 1877. Married on Dec. 21, 1843 in Monroe Co. Ind. to Tabitha Wright, born Dec. 3, 1827 died Dec. 13, 1891. She was daughter of Jesse and Susanna Wright whose descendants are given in the first part of this manuscript. For detailed account see pages 43 to 68.

5-6 Elizabeth Hill, daughter of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, b. 1832, d. between 40 and 50 years ago (1955) and buried in Mercer cemetery, so this writer was told by William Underwood, son of Susan (Hill) Underwood, of Bloomington, Ind. The old Mercer cemetery has been destroyed and an orchard grows there. I visited the place in Aug., 1954 and found only three pieces of native sand stone still sticking in the ground to mark three graves, long forgotten. No names or dates were ever on these stones. I am told there were a good many stones in Mercer cemetery at one time, but all have vanished. Elizabeth Ann "Betsey" Hill married Hazel Barrett of near Smithville, Ind.

Children:

6-1 Isaac Barrett
6-2 Morgan Barrett
6-3 Hugh Barrett
6-4 Andy Barrett
6-5 Donald Barrett
6-6 Edna Barrett
6-7 Nannie Barrett

6-1 Isaac Barrett, son of Hazel and Elizabeth (Hill) Barrett, married Harriet Judy.

Children:

7-1 Homer Barrett, never married.
7-2 Samuel Barrett, married Mary Montgomery, Harrodsburg, Ind.
7-3 James Barrett, married Nettie Burkhart, daughter of James Burkhart.
7-4 Lulu Barrett, married Benjamin Graves.
7-5 Sallie Barrett, married Mr. Cuddy. No children.
7-6 Liddie Barrett, d.y.
7-7 Senia Barrett, married Mr. Lemmon.
7-8 Ishmiel Barrett.
7-9 Alice Barrett.

6-2 Morgan Barrett, son of Hazel and Elizabeth (Hill) Barrett, married Sarah McGlothern of Harrodsburg, Ind.

Children:

7-1 Ada Barrett.
7-2
7-3 Mary Barrett.

6-6 Edna Barrett, married Hugh Collis.

Child:

7-1 Leon Collis.

5-7 Greenberry Hill, son of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, b. Aug. 26, 1835, d. at age of ca 90 years. Buried at Medora, Ind. Married Pheobe Emaline Wright, his first cousin, daughter of West Lee and Nancy (Wright) Wright. Greenberry was a farmer and cattle buyer and successful in life. Members of Christian church. No children. They lived at Medora, Ind. Pheobe (Wright) Hill, was still living in 1943.

5-8 Susan Hill, daughter of Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, b. Sept. 17, 1843, d. May 4, 1927. Married ca 1872 to Lafayette Underwood, b. Jan. 19, 1851. He was a farmer near Smithville, Ind., and was in the cattle business, with Hugh Hill, his brother-in-law. Their son, William Underwood, told me this summer (1954) the old Hill farm near Smithville, was built for his grandparents, Basil and Charity (Wright) Hill, in 1820 and to the date when they built the new house out on the road, no one but this one family had ever lived in this house. When Susan married Lafayette Underwood, they were married on the lawn in front of this house, and Mr. Underwood moved into it and they raised their family there, and so Susan never left the old Hill house. The house is still standing in the field. They had about 300 acres of rich, rolling lands and they grew lush wheat. One story Wm., told us, was they were harvesting the wheat and had all available space filled and still the wheat rolled in. They cleared a room and stored the wheat in it and it was full to the ceiling. As we stood there in the summer sunshine, William painted us a vivid picture from his memory of his old home. "I have been gone from this farm over forty years, but this is still my boy-hood home." He said.

"There are cobwebs on the ceilin'
There is dust upon the floor;
But still you get that feelin,
When you open up the door.
That you're comin' home again
To the days of other years---
So you look around and then
Brush aside your tears."

M. Oliver.

Children of Lafayette and Susan (Hill) Underwood:

6-1 Vora Underwood, b. Oct. 16, 1873.
6-2 Thomas Underwood, b. Sept. 17, 1875.
6-3 William Underwood, b. Dec. 31, 1877.
6-4 Frank Underwood, b. Feb. 12, 1880. d. July 5, 1940.

6-1 Vora Underwood, b. Oct. 16, 1873, married in 1899, Cora Perry.
Children:
7-1 Neva Underwood, b. Mar. 26, 1900. Married Ray Kennedy.
7-2 Gladys Underwood, b. 1908.
7-3 Robert Underwood, b. 1913.

7-2 Gladys Underwood, married Ulis Peterson.
Children:
8-1 William Peterson.
8-2 Wilma Peterson.

7-3 Robert Underwood, married Dorothy M. Huff.
Child:
8-1 Billie Underwood.

6-2 Thomas Underwood, son of Lafayette and Susan (Hill) Underwood, married Minnie Rohorer.
Child:

7-1 William Berry Underwood, b. Sept. 14, 1897. His mother, Minnie (Rohorer) Underwood, d. with pneumonia when he was seven months old. William graduated from Smithville, Ind., high school and Danville State Teachers College, and attended Indiana University. He is principal at Center school in Marion Co., Ind. He married Joyce Pearcy of North Vernon Ind., who also graduated from Danville State Teachers College and was a teacher.
Children:
8-1 Donald Underwood, b. 1926.
8-2 Wallace Underwood, b. 1928.
8-3 Darrel Underwood, b. 1938.

6-2 Thomas Underwood, son of Lafayette and Susan (Hill) Underwood, married a second time on Feb. 15, 1905 Kate Schiemorhon, b. Apr. 19, 1885.
Children:

7-2 Wanda Underwood, b. Jan. 14, 1908.
7-3 Paul Underwood, b. Dec. 20, 1912.

7-2 Wanda Underwood, b. Jan. 14, 1908, married Dec. 24, 1933. Gilbert Apple, son of Geo., and Nancy (Lomax) Apple, of Paoli, Orange Co., Ind. Wanda graduated from Bloomington, Ind., high school, June 1927 and has been employed in the First National bank ever since. Gilbert graduated from Paoli H.S., in 1920. He taught school and later was employed by the Graham Motor Co., where he is now. Address: 317 S. Euclid Ave., Bloomington, Ind.

7-3 Paul Underwood, b. Dec. 20, 1912, graduated from the Bloomington, Ind., H.S., in June 1933. He is a clerk at the post office in Bloomington, Ind. He married Imyl Clark, b. Jan. 14, 1916, daughter of Ray and Elsa Clark. Imyl graduated from the Bloomington, Ind., H.S., in June, 1934. Address: 229 E. 9th St., Bloomington, Ind.
Child:
8-1 Warren Clark Underwood, b. Oct. 30, 1940.

6-3 William Underwood, son of Lafayette and Susan (Hill) Underwood, b. Dec. 31, 1877, married Estella F. Jones, b. July 1878.
Children:

7-1 Leslie Underwood, b. Oct. 19, 1905.
7-2 Helen Underwood, b. July 6, 1907.
7-3 Dorothy Underwood, b. July 3, 1909.

7-1 Leslie Underwood, b. Oct. 19, 1905, married Nellie Mercer, b. 1908, daughter of Ezra Mercer. Leslie is janitor at Ind., State University, Bloomington, Ind. Children:

8-1 Leslie Underwood, Jr.
8-2 Charlotte Underwood.
8-3 Annalee Underwood.
8-4 Martha Susan Underwood.
8-5 William Underwood.
8-6 Robert Underwood.
8-7 Nancy Underwood.
8-8 Charles Edd Underwood.
8-9 Roselee Underwood.
8-10 John Underwood.

7-2 Helen Underwood, graduated from high school at Bloomington, Ind., and from Nurses training in Indianapolis, Ind. She is a school nurse in Frankfort, Ind.

7-3 Dorothy Underwood, graduated from high school and Nurses training at Bloomington, Ind. She had additional training at Indianapolis, Ind. She went to Australia in Feb. 1942 as a Red Cross nurse for the Army.

6-4 Frank Underwood, son of Lafayette and Susan (Hill) Underwood, married Velma Ison.

Children:

7-1 Glen Underwood.
7-2 Harley Underwood.
7-3 Lowell Underwood.
7-4 Arthur Underwood.
7-5 Marchel Underwood, married a Miss Ham.
7-6 Edith Underwood, married Otho Hogan.
7-7 Sylvia Underwood.
7-8 Mary Underwood.
7-9 Nellie Underwood, deceased.
7-10 Hazel Jean Underwood, married Charles Miller.

4-7 Sarah Wright, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Sears) Wright, b. in 1816, married Hugh Hill, son of Thomas and Mellick Hill, b. May 6, 1809. They were married in 1831. Hugh and Basil Hill were brothers. Sarah and Charity (Wright) Hill, wife of Basil, were sisters. Hugh was a farmer and lived near Sumner, Ill.
Children:

5-1 Emsley Hill, b. July 26, 1832.
5-2 Basil Hill, b. Feb. 20, 1834, d. Feb. 2, 1910.
5-3 Isaac Elsberry Hill, b. May 15, 1836.
5-4 James Riley Hill, b. July 18, 1839.
5-5 Susan Hill, b. July 16, 1847.

5-1 Emsley Hill, b. July 26, 1832, married Sarah Wilson.
Children:
6-1 Greenberry Hill, b. Feb. 15, 1863.
6-2 Mary Isabella Hill, b. Oct. 1865.

6-1 Greenberry Hill, b. Feb. 15, 1863, married in Nov., of 1888 to Lucinda Inyart, who died Apr. 1910. Greenberry was a blacksmith. No children.

6-2 Mary Isabella Hill, b. Oct. 1865, married on Apr. 11, 1889 to Paul Payne, contractor and carpenter. They live at 1103 E. Main St., Olney, Ill.
Child:
7-1 Nellie Jane Payne, b. June 29, ----. Married on Nov. 12, 1915 to Ray E. McCarney. They live in Ft. Worth, Texas, where they have a successful business.
Child:
8-1 Roger McCarney.

5-2 Basil Hill, son of Hugh and Sarah (Wright) Hill, b. Feb. 20, 1834 d. Feb. 2, 1910, married on Nov. 7, 1875 to Charlotte "Lottie" Brausa, b. Dec. 3, 1859, a daughter of August and Sophia Brausa.
Children:
6-1 David Hill, b. Apr. 1, 1877.
6-2 Cora Hill, b. Aug. 23, 1879, d.y.
6-3 Dena Hill, b. Feb. 5, 1881.
6-4 Elma Hill, b. Mar. 9, 1884.
6-5 Marion Hill, b. Nov. 1, 1886, living in West Salem, Ill
6-6 Sarah Effie Hill, b. Sept. 27, 1889.

6-1 David Hill, b. Apr. 1, 1877, married Ida Inyart, daughter of Elijah and Barbara Inyart.
Children:
7-1 Clarence Hill.
7-2 Marie Hill.
7-3 Inez Hill.
7-4 Elva Hill.
7-5 Mofle Hill.
7-6 Corrie Hill.

6-3 Dena Hill, b. Feb. 5, 1881 and married on May 15, 1900 to Walter Hughes, b. Aug. 11, ----, son of Joseph and Mary Ann Hughes.
Children:
7-1 Edith Hughes, b. Dec. 3,
7-2 Luther Hughes, b. Dec. 21,
7-3 Fern Hughes, b. Mar. 11,
7-4 Cordelia Hughes, b. Oct. 7,
7-5 Robert Hughes, b.

6-4 Elma Hill, b. Mar. 9, 1884, married Everett Cloud on May 15, 1910.
Child:
7-1 Leland Cloud, b. Aug. 30, 1912.

6-5 Marion Hill, b. Nov. 1, 1886, married on Nov.--, 1912 to Verna McClure. No children.

6-6 Effie Hill, b. Sept. 27, 1889, married on Nov. 29, 1922 to Willis Ridgley, b. July 26, 1882, son of Ira and Ellen Ridgley. No children. When Effie's father, and mother were married in 1875, they moved on the farm owned by her grandfather, Hugh Hill. In 1941, Effie and her mother were still living there.

5-3 Isaac Elsberry Hill, son of Hugh and Sarah (Wright) Hill, married Angeline Shick, daughter of George and Delamma Shick. Elsberry was a farmer.
Children:
6-1 Martha Hill.
6-2 George Hill, M. Maggie Hillis, had child, Fern Hill,
6-3 Delia Hill, who marr., Van Gilder. Child, Donald
6-4 Rebecca Hill. Van Gilder.
6-5 John Hill.

6-1 Martha Hill, b. . Married Thomas Corrie, a farmer.
Children:
7-1 Myrtle Corrie, married Mr. Pope.
7-2 Laura Corrie, married Kent. Laura lives at 1312, 16th St., Lawrenceville, Ill.
7-3 Elsberry Corrie.
7-4 Howard Corrie.
7-5 Guy Corrie.

6-3 Delia Hill, b. Aug. 14, 1866, and married William Harrison.
Children:
7-1 Inez Harrison, a teacher.
7-2 Harvey Harrison, deceased.
7-3 Edith Harrison Busefink, married, living in West Salem, Ill.
Child:
8-1 Margaret Busefink Poole.
7-4 Kendall Harrison, married and has daughters:
8-1 Jane Harrison.
8-2 Nancy Harrison.
7-5 Lois Harrison.

6-4 Rebecca Hill, daughter of Elsberry and Angeline (Shick) Hill, married William Leathers, a farmer.
Children:
7-1 Daisy Leathers, married Fisher.
7-2 Dell Leathers, married Corrie.
7-3 Erma Leathers, married Bell.
7-4 Omar Leathers.
7-5 Russell Leathers.
7-6 Rev. Ira Leathers.
7-7 Rev. Glen Leathers.
7-8 Roy Leathers.

6-5 John Hill, son of Elsberry and Angeline (Shick) Hill. John was in the insurance business until his death. He married Nettie Shaw.
Children:
7-1 Alice Irene Hill, married a Stephens.
7-2 Max Hill, married Mary Powers.

5-4 James Riley Hill, son of Hugh and Sarah (Wright) Hill, b. July 18, 1839, d. July 18, 1900. He married Sarah Wright, daughter of Emsley and Catherine (Inyart) Wright, b. Nov. 28, 1848, d. Jan. 24, 1909.
Children:
6-1 William S. Hill, b. Jan. 9, 1870, d. Nov. 1, 1933.
6-2 Maggie Hill, b. Nov. 7, 1872.
6-3 Clara Hill, b. Dec. 23, 1874.
6-4 Fredrick J. Hill, b. Aug. 3, 1879.

6-1 William S. Hill, b. Jan. 9, 1870, d. Nov. 1, 1933. He married Hattie B. Hill, b. Apr. 1872, d. Jan. 16, 1939.
Children:
7-1 Velda Hill, b. Aug. 29, 1892.
7-2 Mattie Hill, b. Oct. 1, 1895.
7-3 Zora Hill, b. Apr. 13, 1897.
7-4 Sherman R. Hill, b. Nov. 25, 1899.

7-1 Velda Hill, b. Aug. 29, 1892, married Walter Rochelle, b. Oct. 16, 1892.
Children:
8-1 Pauline Rochelle, b. July 11, 1913. Married Tomulson.
8-2 Mary Lou Rochelle, b. July 22, 1915, married VanWinkle.
8-3 Joseph Rochelle, b. Nov. 17, 1916, married Velda Hill.
8-4 Ethellee Rochelle, b. Sept. 18, 1918. Married Simmons.
8-5 Myrtle Rochelle, b. Nov. 4, 1921.
8-6 Vera Rochelle, b. Sept. 25, 1923.
8-7 Walter Paul Rochelle, b. Aug. 11, 1927.

7-2 Mattie Hill, b. Oct. 1, 1893, married Jack Watterson, b. June, 1893.
Child:
8-1 Donald Lee Watterson, b. Nov. 22, 1920.

7-3 Zora Hill, b. Apr. 13, 1897, married John Shelton, b. Mar. 14, 1898.
Children:
8-1 Vivian Shelton, b. Nov. 14, 1924.
8-2 Billie Ray Shelton, b. Sept. 3, 1927.

7-4 Sherman R. Hill, b. Nov. 23, 1899, married.
Children:
8-1 Thelma Hill.
8-2 Christine Hill.
8-3 Gerald Hill.
8-4 Herald Hill.

6-2 Maggie Hill, daughter of James Riley and Sarah (Wright) Hill, b. Nov. 7, 1872, married Noah Slover.
Children:
7-1 Owen E. Slover, b. Nov. 27, 1897.
7-2 Clarence E. Slover, b. Apr. 12, 1900, d. July 11, 1918.
7-3 Grace Slover, b. July 10,1902, married Omer Inyart.
7-4 Kenneth E. Slover, b. Mar. 11, 1904, married Verda Reede.

6-3 Clara Hill, daughter of James R. and Sarah (Wright) Hill, b. Dec. 23, 1874, married Charles Martin.
Child:
7-1 Wilbur O. Martin, b. July 4, 1897, married on Sept. 20, 1916 to Eva Torphey, b. Oct. 12, 1895.
Children:
8-1 Vera Martin, b. May 1, 1917.
8-2 Alberta Irene Martin, b. Oct. 10, 1919. She was married to Humphrey Bryant, on Mar. 24, 1937.

6-4 Fredrick J. Hill, son of James R. and Sarah (Wright) Hill, b. Aug. 3, 1879, married Nellie Inyart.
Children:
7-1 Lola Hill, married Ralph Wagner.
7-2 Emma Hill, married Robert Angle.

5-5 Susan Hill, daughter of Hugh and Sarah (Wright) Hill, b. July 16, 1847, married Humphrey Bryant.
Children:
6-1 Hugh Bryant.
6-2 Walter Bryant.
6-3 Ida Bryant.
6-4 Liza Bryant, married Bryant Baldwin.
6-5 Levi Bryant.
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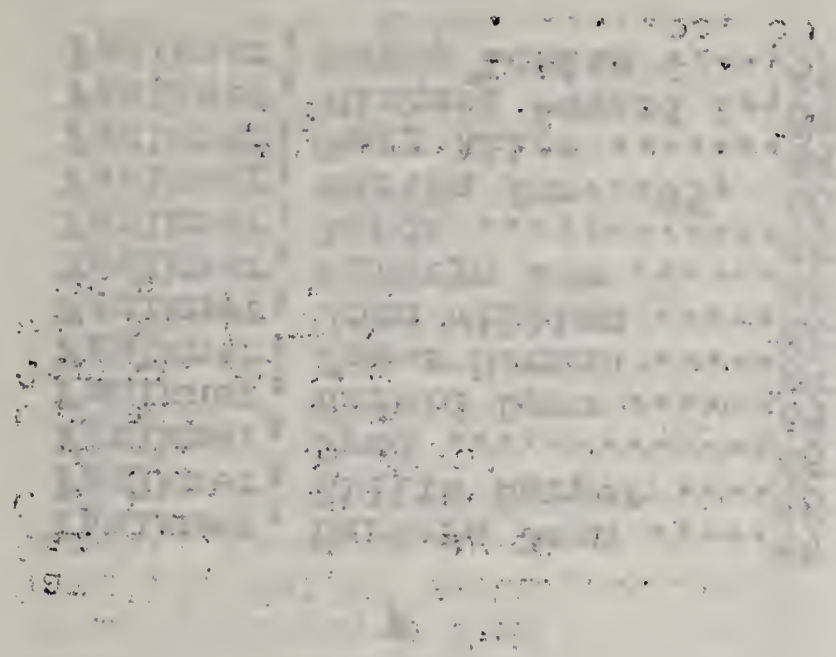

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